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The royal mail steamship *Scotia*, Capt. JUDKINS, which sailed from Liverpool on the 14th at 10 A. M., and from Queenstown on the evening of the 15th July, arrived here at about 9 o'clock last evening.

The *Lafayette* arrived at Brest at 4 o'clock on the morning of the 12th inst.

The *China* arrived at Queenstown about 8 o'clock on the morning of the 13th, and at Liverpool at about 2 A. M. on the 14th.

THE ATLANTIC CABLE.

All the Atlantic Telegraph fleet—the *Great Eastern, Terrible, Medway, Albany* and *William Corry*—were assembled at Berehaven on the 11th, and the coaling of the *Great Eastern* being completed, the vessels would sail on the 12th or 13th. The splice with the shore end of the cable would be made on or about the 13th, weather permitting. On the 12th inst., at Valentia, the Directors of the Anglo-American Telegraph Company entertained a distinguished company at luncheon, after which a religious service was held, in acknowledgment of dependence for success on Almighty God, and praying that, should communication be established between the Old World and the New, it may be instrumental to the continued peace and prosperity of nations and the true welfare of mankind.

LATER.—A dispatch from Valentia of the evening of the 13th announces that the fleet had arrived off that place, and that the splice had been completed all right; that the *Great Eastern* had commenced paying out, and that the signals were perfect throughout the whole length of the cable.

GREAT BRITAIN.

Nothing of moment has transpired in English politics. It was stated that Mr. GLADSTONE would take the sense of the House of Commons upon the bill abolishing compulsory church rates, notwithstanding that it is no longer a Government measure.

GOLDWIN SMITH had resigned the Professorship of History at Oxford University.

The subject of arming the British troops with breach-loaders had been debated in the House of Lords, and it was stated that the movement to that end was in progress.

The *Army and Navy Gazette* says the Snider Enfield rifle can be fired 15 times in a minute, while the extreme rate of the Prusstan needle gun is not more than six to eight shots.

SIR BULWER LYTTON is gazetted as Lord LYTTON.

Mr. DISRAELI having been reelected to Parliament, he made a speech to the electors, which was mainly a reflex of Lord DERBY's statement in the House of Lords. He asserted that England's foreign relations were never more friendly, and rejoiced at the good feeling which existed between England and America.

Another Serious Bank Suspension.

Late at night on the 13th the Birmingham Banking Company resolved to suspend payment, and issued a circular to that effect, and stating that the action was caused by gross past mismanagement only recently discovered. Lavish advances were made a few years since to one individual in particular, and to many engaged in the iron trade. The bank had three-fourths of all the accounts of the greatest of the trading community of the district, and the suspension would prove a severe calamity. The directors assert that the claims of the creditors will be perfectly safe, and that a portion of the capital will remain if the estate is realized with care. The total liabilities are over two millions sterling.

The Collision in the Channel—Two Steamers Sunk—Several Lives Lost.

The *Western Morning News* gives the following particulars respecting the recent most calamitous collision in the English Channel, and briefly alludes to its previous reports:

"The steam sloop-of-war *Amazon* left Spithead on Monday for Halifax, Nova Scotia, having been appointed to the North American station. She was commissioned at Devonport in April last, by Commander JAMES E. HUNTER, an active officer of high standing in the service, and left Plymouth Sound on the 4th of June, for a cruise in the North Sea. She had on board a crew of 180 of all ranks, and about twenty supernumeraries. The *Amazon* was a fourgun screw sloop, of 1,151 tons burthen and 300-horse power, was constructed built and constructed of wood, having been designed by Mr. E. J. REED, the Chief Constructor of the Navy. The ship on Thursday morning about 1 o'clock, was on her voyage down Channel; it was the watch of one of the Lieutenants; the night was clear and the weather fine, with a light breeze. The *Amazon* had her regulation lights brightly burning, and at the hour named a steamer was reported about two points on the starboard bow. She proved to be the screw steamer *Osprey*, 450 tons register, Capt. BERTRIDGE, belonging to the Cork Steam Navigation Company. As they reached each other the *Amazon* put her helm hard-a-port and exhibited the green light, but the *Osprey* put her helm hard-a-port and exhibited the red light. The result of these measures was that, as the *Amazon* fell off, the *Osprey* came across the *Amazon's* fore-foot, and the *Amazon* ran into the *Osprey* on her port-quarter, striking her at about one-third of her length from her stern. The *Osprey* was fearfully crushed below her water-line by the prow of the *Amazon*. On board the *Osprey* the greatest confusion ensued on the collision; the majority of the crew clambered in over the bowsprit of the *Amazon*, which protruded over her deck. It was instantly found that the *Osprey* was settling down by her stern, for, although she was built in three compartments, she was struck at the stokehole, at which point the two after compartments joined, and the partition being crushed in the compartments were of no service. A great body of water rushed into the engine-room, where the second engineer was in charge, and he, having stopped the engines on hearing the first concussion, rushed on deck, barely in time to escape the flood of waters. By that time most of the crew and passengers—the latter in various stages of nudity—were running to the forward part of the ship, and an attempt was made to get out a boat. The crew of the *Osprey* had by this time clambered into the *Amazon*, hand-over-hand up ropes from her bow, and two boats were promptly lowered from the *Amazon*, and the Captain and one or two men were picked up by one of them. The captain's wife, who was attired only in her night-dress, was hauled in over the *Amazon's* bows, as also were one or two of the crew, one of whom, a Dutchman, had a very narrow escape, as he succeeded in grasping a rope when he was on the point of sinking for the third time. But though by these means the captain, crew and captain's wife were rescued, the captain's three children—girls aged 15 and 12, and a boy aged 10—were swallowed up in the vortex caused by the sinking steamer, in which also were engulfed the whole of the saloon passengers—Mrs. HUBBARD, widow of a Dublin barrister, and her two daughters, aged respectively 22 and 15 years; Mrs. REA, the wife of the master of the ship *Seaflower*, and her two young children; and MARY ANN KEATING. The stewardess, Mrs. REA, was seen at her cabin door a moment after the collision, and the second engineer helped her on deck. But her children were below, and she frantically called for them, and made as if to go below in search of them. The moment in which safety might have been secured was thus spent, and, neglecting to go forward, she was seen no more. Less exciting, but almost equally serious incidents were meanwhile occurring on board the *Amazon*. In the shock of the collision the prow of that ship became twisted and wrenched round, and thus a large hole was made in that vessel, through which water was found to be pouring in great volumes. The ship's pumps were instantly set to work, and great exertions were made to keep the vessel afloat; but the water gained on the crew, and the engineer soon came on deck and reported to the Captain that the fires were extinguished, and the engine-room half full of water. Capt. HUNTER received the news with that remarkable coolness which seemed to characterize all hands, but it was seen from that moment that the *Amazon* would go down. Still, no exertions were relaxed, and the five boats of the vessel were got out with as much order as if for a holiday trip. Each boat was laden to the water's edge, some of the men lying flat in the bottom, and had any sea been running or a breeze sprung up all must have perished. The boats left the *Amazon* at 3:30 A. M., the ship being then settling down in the sea, although, as a fog shortly afterward set in, she was not actually seen to founder. They were then about 18 miles off land, and somewhere off Dartmouth. No provisions, water or property of any kind was taken on board, and the seamen of the *Osprey* were only partly clothed, and the Captain's wife had on only her night dress, over which a blanket had been thrown. In the early morning the boats fell in with three fishing smacks, which were boarded, and which rendered a friendly service in relieving the boats of some part of their too great load and in piloting them into harbor. Thus aided, the shipwrecked men reached Torquay shortly after 4 o'clock on Wednesday afternoon. They were provided for very kindly by several of the inhabitants, and, after their more immediate wants had been supplied, the officers and men of the *Amazon* were forwarded by special train to Portsmouth, the Captain and crew of the *Osprey* going to Plymouth. The *Osprey's* Captain, Mr. BERTRIDGE, and his wife, were greatly distressed at the event, which has deprived them of three children; and the officers and men of the *Amazon* and *Osprey* have a so lost everything. The *Osprey* was of 450 tons register and 250 horse power. Her crew consisted of the captain, two mates, two engineers, seven firemen, seven seamen, cooks, steward and stewardess, and at the time she had also on board the captain's wife and three children, a little boy—a friend of the family—seven saloon passengers, and a man as deck passenger. She was on her passage from Liverpool for Antwerp, having left the former port at 6 P. M. on Saturday. The crew were provided for on Wednesday night at the Plymouth Sailors' Home. Further information from Portsmouth states that the crew of the *Amazon* were sent on to Exeter on Tuesday night, and thence to Portsmouth, where they arrived on Wednesday, after noon, and are now berthed on board the *Duke of Wellington*. All the crew have answered to their names, with the exception of a supernumerary boy named COMPTON, whose position is not accounted for. The question of reponsibility as to the cause of the collision will, of course, form the subject of official inquiry, but, in the absence of any information on the subject, it is unaccountable how with a proper lookout on both vessels, and on a clear night, they could have approached each other so closely as to render a collision inevitable without being observed. A court-martial on the officers and crew of the *Amazon* will, no doubt, be held as soon as the necessary formalities have been gone through."

THE WAR.

French Mediation and the Prospects of Peace.

The accounts of the proceedings of France with a view to mediation, and the attitude assumed by Prussia and Italy, are very conflicting. The statements of one day are denied the next, and nothing really reliable or authentic had transpired. It is reported that Prussia refuses to admit of an armistice on the basis of the cession of Venetia; and the Italian Government is said to have announced its resolution to continue offensive operations against the Austrian Empire without relaxation, in conformity with the engagements mutually entered into by Prussia and Italy, until both these Powers shall have obtained from Austria satisfactory terms for the conclusion of peace.

Italy is said to claim from Austria the direct cession to Italy of all the Italian territories under Austrian dominion, including the Italian portion of the Tyrol. These conditions and those stipulated for by Prussia are said to have been found inadmissible at Vienna, and the Austrian Government would, consequently, continue to try the fortune of war.

The *Daily News* of the 13th controverts the general impression that the French Government would either obtain the full acceptance of its recommendations or take part in the war. This supposition says the *Daily News* so prejudicial to the high political reputation of the Emperor NAPOLEON is happily disproved. Prussia and Italy have felt compelled to make their acceptance of the armstice subject to conditions required in the interest of their respective States, and these conditions the French Government is occupied in examining and discussing. On the whole, there is more hope of containing the war within its present limits, and of bringing about peace—not, perhaps, immediately, but before very long—than there has been any day since the *Moniteur* announced the cession of Venetia under circumstances which have greatly complicated the original strife.

Italian papers assert officially that Prussia has declined the armistice requested by France on behalf of Austria.

Several of the Paris journals of the 13th state that France, Prussia and Italy have come to an understanding upon the proposals to be made to Austria. They add that the three Powers have agreed that Austria shall be excluded from the Germanic Confederation.

The London *Times*, of the 14th, says: "The mere hint at the possibility of an armed mediation on the part of France, opened a vista of unfathomable evil. We have reason to believe that there is no present danger of such an additional calamity.

"Our appreheusions of an armed mediation are greatly abated. It begins to be tolerably clear that Austria will bow to necessity. Prussia makes no mystery of her design to drive Austria out of the Confederation; but she expresses no wish to destroy her position as a great European Power. France, however, could not venture upon a course fraught with such momentous consequences to all Europe without a certainty of the coöperation of the other neutral Powers. England would not follow France in an intervention likely to extend and aggravate the evils it was intended to mitigate.

Any threat of foreign interference would needs have had the effect of urging Prussia to still greater exertions. An appeal to the people of all the States to stand up in defence of the common Fatherland would have found a responsive chord in most German bosoms."

WAR NEWS.

Details of the Late Battles and Movements.

Voluminous and graphic details continue to be published in regard to the battle of Sadowa and the subsequent proceedings of the two armies, but no further movements of importance in Bohemia is announced.

The London *Times* of the 13th, says everything confirms the belief that in the battle of Sadowa the Austrian army has been nearly ruined as a military force, for the present campaign, and it doubts whether 100,000 effective men were to be found in the army of the North three days after the battle. The Prussians are flushed with victory, and they know that the army of Bohemia unaided is in no condition to oppose them. The army must have lost nearly half its guns, and by far the greater part of its military stores.

If they have no other foe before them, they may drive it from point to point, until they force it to try its fortune in the very suburbs of the Capital; but, on the other hand, if the army of Venetia can be transported to the northern Provinces of the Empire, if the reserves which are more or less ready for service can be brought up, there must be new battles, in which it is possible, though hardly probable, that the fortune of war might change, the Prussians therefore have lost war might change, the Prussians therefore have lost no time in following up their victory. The *Times* adds, though the superiority of the Prussians will not allow it to doubt the result, it is certain that the Emperor will defend his hereditary possessions with the obstinacy that is characteristic of his house.

The *Times'* military correspondent with the Austrians says that as far as men are concerned Austria can easily replace those that she has lost. Prussia cannot. So the army of the former will become daily stronger and that of the latter weaker.

A dispatch dated from the Prussian headquarters at Zwittau, July 11, says: "To-day the troops at head quarters are allowed to rest. The battalions engaged in active operations have been pushed forward about two miles to the southeast. They are also having a day's repose as far as possible, this having been rendered necessary by the rain which has set in, and the uninterrupted marching and severe fighting in which the troops have been engaged.

The First Army is taking the direction of Brunn; the Second, Olmutz, and the Army of the Elbe, Iglau.

The Austrians evacuated Landskron as soon as the regiment of the Guards of the Second Army Corps, advancing from Hohenmauth through Bohemian Trubau, approached the town.

The Austrian Army of the North is receiving reinforcements, but it is believed to be not yet decided whether it will hold the line from Olmutz to Brunn and fight another battle in that position.

The Prussian march on Iglau is said to be the cause of this indecision.

To-morrow the headquarters will be removed to Czernahora, three miles from Brunn.

A telegram of the 12th from Zwittau says: "M. BENEDETTI, the French Ambassador at Berlin, arrived here last night.

The Prussian headquarters were transferred to-day, at 10 A. M., to Czernahora. The whole Prussian army continues its march toward the south."

A Berlin dispatch of the 13th states that the vanguard of the Prussians had arrived at Znaim.

The special correspondent of the London *Times*, with the Austrian army, writing on the 11th of July, says: "Gen. BENEDEK has now under his orders at least 160,000 men, not including his cavalry and artillery. Immediately after the fatal 3d of July it may be doubted whether he could have mustered more than half the number, but the men have rallied to their colors, and a force to which a large increase is daily given by volunteers, drafts and regiments from other quarters is now assembled, to try conclusions with their formidable opponents, if all attempts to effect a peaceful solution prove unsuccessful."

The *Times* military correspondent with the Prussian army says in his letter of the 8th, that, notwithstanding rumors of probable peace, the army continued its steady advance, and its march was conducted with the same precautions and the same circumspection as if the campaign was only beginning, and as if an unbroken enemy was in front ready to take advantage of the slightest error.

The London *Globe* thinks that from appearances the Prussian army would be before Vienna in a week or ten days.

In regard to the battle which had been fought near Kissingen, between the Prussians and Bavarians, a Berlin dispatch of the 11th says of it:

"Yesterday the vanguard of the corps under Gen. MANTEUFFEL had an engagement with the Bavarians, and succeeded in forcing its way across the fords of the Saale, near Hausen and Waldaschaef, north of Kissingen. The Prussian loss was small, while that of the Bavarians was heavy.

Another dispatch from Kissingen, dated the 11th, says: "After a splendid defence of ten hours, the Bavarian army has retired from this town to take position on the Maine. Gen. ZOLLER, in command, was killed. It is alleged that the Bellevue Hotel is destroyed, and much damage done to the town. At this moment the cannon are still firing and the Prussians advancing."

The *Moniteur du Soir* gives an account of this battle, in which it states that the Bavarians behaved with great bravery, but were compelled to give way before their adversaries.

Advices from the Bavarian headquarters assert that the engagement had no decisive result. The Bavarians were concentrating near Schweinfurt.

From Italy it is asserted that the Austrians were disposed to give battle to the Italians upon their attempting to cross the Adige.

Gen. CIALDINI occupied Rovigo on the 11th without meeting any resistance.

King VICTOR EMMANUEL arrived at Ferrara on the 12th.

The formation of the Hungarian Legion was progressing, and KOSSUTH had gone to consult with GARIBALDI upon a plan of operations.

The Italians were reported to be marching on Padua, and an engagement was considered probable.

Two divisions under VICTOR EMMANUEL's command are stated to have entered the Tyrol on the side of Trent. [This is supposed to be erroneous.]

A Florence telegram of the 12th says: "Yesterday the flying columns of the National Guard had an engagement with the Austrians at La Prese on the Stelvio, which lasted the whole day. The National Guard occupied the first Cantoniera and took 75 Austrian prisoners. They had some wounded, but none killed."

Another dispatch of the 13th says:

"Advices from Chiavenna of yesterday's date state that the flying columns of the National Guard, with the aid of the Customs officers, have repulsed the Austrians beyond the Second Cantiquira of the Stelvio Pass, making nearly 100 prisoners. The Italian loss was six wounded."

France Arming.

From L'Opinion Nationale, July 13.

France is arming and manning her whole navy. One frigate and one corvette have suddenly left Toulon for Venice. * * * We want that France shall retain her attentive neutrality, that nothing shall be done against the nationality principle, which is her whole policy. We want no more crusades, no more holy leagues and invincible Armadas; the France of HENRY IV., of RICHELIEU, of the Convention and of NAPOLEON is not * * * the soldier of the Pope nor the gendarme of the Holy Alliance.

The Middle German States.

In reply to the Prussian note, calling upon the German States to make preparations for the election of Deputies to a German Parliament, most of the Governments friendly to Prussia had promised to take the necessary steps without delay. In Hanover, Saxony and Electoral Hesse the preparations for the elections were being carried out by the Prussian Civil Commissioners.

The contingents of the smaller States of North Germany were beginning to take part in the war under Prussian command.

The Vienna correspondent of the London *Times*, says it is very obvious that a Prussian party is gradually forming in the German provinces of the Austrian Empire.

France.

The weekly returns of the Bank of France show a decrease in the cash on hand of eleven million francs.

The Paris Bourse on the 13th was very flat. Rentes declined nearly ¾, closing 68.10.

The projected mission of Prince NAPOLEON to Italy was in suspense.

Spain.

A Madrid dispatch says that Marshal NARVAEZ will adopt conciliatory measures toward those citizens who have been compromised in the recent events, but at the same time will employ the utmost energy for the restoration of order.

FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL.

LONDON MONEY MARKET.

The weekly statement of the Bank of England shows a decrease in the bullion of £883,475, and in the reserve of notes of £241,115. This movement is partially accounted for by the payment of the dividends on the Government securities.

The bank rate of discount remains at 10 ₱ cent.

In the discount market there were a continued abatement of the late pressure. Good bills were done at 9@9½ ₱ cent.

Consols on the 13th were dull, and left off at 87¼@87⅞ for money.

AMERICAN SECURITIES.—BARING BROS. & Co. report a considerable business in 5-20s and Erics, the closing rates being 67¼@67⅞, and 39¼@38¾ respectively.

LIVERPOOL MARKETS.

LIVERPOOL, Saturday, July 14—A. M.

COTTON—The Broker's Circular says: "The Cotton market on Friday was active, upon the prospect of peace upon the Continent, and a large business was done at advancing prices. On Saturday, when the foreign advices were considered less satisfactory, the market became dull. On Monday the demand revived and has subsequently continued good, but holders offer their stocks freely and the market generally closes with some degree of heaviness. American continues to rule dull and offer frequent fluctuations closes at last week's rates. Sea Island in active request and slightly dearer. Egyptian 1d.@2d. ₱ lb. dearer, from scarcity. Other descriptions irregular. The sales of the week 38,000 bales, including 13,310 on speculation and 23,180 for export. The official quotations are:

Fair Orleans	16d.	Middling Orleans	14½d.
Fair Mobile	15½d.	Middling Mobile	14½d.
Fair Uplands	15d.	Middling Uplands	14d.

Yesterday (Friday) the sales were only 6,000 bales for speculation and export. The market closed flat, and prices generally were ¼d.@⅝d. below the above quotations. Stock on hand, 923,190 bales, including 411,750 bales of American. Afloat, as per advices from India, 380,000 bales.

TRADE AT MANCHESTER.—The market yesterday was quiet, and the tendency of prices was rather downward, especially for shirtings.

BREADSTUFFS.—The weather is hot and favorable for the crops. Messrs. RICHARDSON, SPENCE & CO., and HENRY JUMP & SON report: "Our generally held for Is. ₱ bbl. Corn unchanged. Wheat business checked, therby. Wheat firmer and 2d. ₱ central dearer than on Tuesday. Winter Red 10s. 9d.@11s. 3d. ₱ central; Spring 10s. 6d.@11s. 2d. No. 2 Mixed 10s. 9d. dearer in 3d. ₱ qr. The recent heavy arrivals having been cleared off. Mixed American 27s. 6d.@28s.

PROVISIONS.—Messrs. BIGLAND, ATHYA & CO., WOODALL & CO. and others report: Beef nominally unchanged, but to effect sales a considerable reduction would have to be made. Pork quiet but steady for Eastern, while Western is 2s. 6d. easier. Bacon dull and nominally 1s. 6d. 2s. lower. Lard dull and nominal. Cheese 3s. ₱ cwt. lower. Butter inactive. Tallow quiet but steady.

PRODUCE.—The Brokers' Circular reports: Ashes—Sales of Pots at 28s. 6d.@28s.—no Pearls here. Sugar quiet but steady. Coffee in limited demand. Rice 58s. Rice inactive at last week's rates. Bark—Philadelphia, 8s. 9d. Linseed unchanged. Linseed Cakes quiet and unaltered. Oils neglected. Resin flat; American 4s. 6d.@6s. 3d. Spirits of Turpentine very heavy; French 40s. Petroleum in limited demand; Refined is. 5½d.@ 1s. 11d. ₱ gallon; Spirit 8d.@11d.

LONDON MARKETS.

Messrs. BARING BROS. & Co., report: WHEAT very quiet, and the recent advance nearly lost; White Common 5s. 6d.@8s.; Red 5s. 6d.@5s. 8d. FLOUR 24s. 6d.@28s. Hardly any American. Wheat on Flour offering. CORN quiet. Bars and Rails £6; Scotch Pig 52s. 6d. SUGAR steady. COFFEE advanced 2s., but this was subsequently lost. TEA unchanged. RICE rather easier. TALLOW quiet, P. Y. C. 44s. 6d. SPIRITS of TURPENTINE 42s. New American to arrive. PETROLEUM 1s. 11d. for refined. LINSEED OIL slow at 35s. 9d. SPERM OIL £123, but nothing going.

Latest Commercial.

LIVERPOOL, Saturday Evening, July 14.

COTTON—Sales to-day only 7,000 bales, including 1,000 bales to speculators and exporters. The market is dull with but little inquiry and prices weak, and a decline of ¼@⅜ ₱ lb. Middling Uplands are quoted about 13½d.

BREADSTUFFS—The market is steady. Corn is easier.

LONDON, Saturday Evening, July 14.

Consols close at 87¼@87½ for money.

AMERICAN SECURITIES.

United States Five-twenties, 67¾@68; Illinois Central, 76@76¾; Erie Railroad, 39¾@40¼.

Latest by the Scotia, via Liverpool.

LONDON, Friday, July 13—P. M.

The negotiations for peace have made no apparent progress.

The Prussian army continues to advance, and the Austrians are regaining strength.

LIVERPOOL, Friday, July 13—P. M.

The *Great Eastern* commenced landing the Atlantic cable this evening. All well.

Steamship *Lafayette*, from New-York, arrived at Brest on the 12th; the *China*, from New-York, arrived to-day, the 13th.

LIVERPOOL, Saturday, July 14—P. M.

The steamship *Hibernia*, from Greencastle for Quebec, which sailed yesterday, has put back with screw damaged.

LONDON, Saturday, July 14—Evening.

The Paris *Moniteur* says that negotiations are still progressing, and the best of feeling prevails between France and Prussia.

Very Latest Via Queenstown.

LONDON, Sunday, July 15.

The Vienna *Presse* of the 14th says that the proposed mediation of NAPOLEON is ended for the present, and Austria must trust to her own strength and resources. She has resolved to make the most strenuous exertions to maintain her position as a great Power.

The Italian Gen. LA MARMORA has resigned.

CIALDINI occupied Padua.

The Austrians are concentrating their forces for the protection of the Tyrol and Istria.

The Paris Bourse is firm. Rentes, 68f. 60c.

QUEENSTOWN, Sunday, July 15.

The *Great Eastern* is paying out the cable. The reports of Saturday afternoon from her are that 135 miles have been laid, and that the signals are perfect.

Steamship *Caledonia*, from New-York, arrived at Glasgow on the 14th.

Steamship *Tarifa*, from New-York, arrived here to-day.

THE HISTORY OF THE WAR.

THE PRUSSIAN ARMY.

Further Account of the Battle of Sadowa—A Visit to the Field—Movements of the Army Toward Vienna.

From the Times' Military Correspondent.

HORITZ, Wednesday, July 4.

The battle of Sadowa, or of Koniggratz, as it is called in the Prussian army, has been even a more decisive victory than the victorious Generals themselves knew it to be last evening. Eighteen thousand Austrian prisoners have already been brought in, and more are arriving; 116 guns have been taken, 11 sets of colors, and three cavalry standards. The total loss of the Austrians by the battle is not clearly known, but I think that it might be fairly stated as 40,000 men in killed, wounded and prisoners. Three Austrian Princes and three Generals have been wounded, and two Generals—WINDISCHGRATZ and LICHTENSTEIN—have been taken. The Prussian loss is not yet known, but it cannot be much below 6,000 in killed and wounded.

A further inspection of the field of battle this morning shows how formidable a position the Austrians held, and also how fearfully they must have suffered. All round the village of Lipa, where they took up their position after being driven from the villages on the banks of the Bistritz, were intrenchments and made batteries, the guns from which searched out every inch of ground over which their assailants could advance. The village itself was surrounded by barricades formed of cut-down trees, the houses were loopholed, and guns had been placed so as to sweep every approach. It seems perfectly astonishing how the position could have been carried. It had evidently been prepared some days ago, for all the intrenchments were regularly dug, and had not been thrown up in haste. Hundreds of guns must have fired against the advancing Prussians, which were not exposed, but were placed in batteries and so shielded from the fire of the attacking army, and were also defended by lines of infantry, themselves screened by earthworks. * * * *

The field of battle this morning shows the severity of the fight. The wounded have all been removed, but few of the dead have been buried, for the number of wounded was so great that every man who could be spared from duty was required to look after them. All night long the "Krankentrager" have been at work, and have been assisted by a large number of soldiers. Every village near the field of battle has all its standing houses converted into hospitals, and all the surgeons in the army have been busy all night long. In the woods and in the broken ground the bodies of Austrians and Prussians are tolerably equal in number, generally lying in groups of four or five of either nation together, marking the spot where a shell has burst; but in the open ground, and down the reverse side of the Lipa slope the Austrians lie terribly thick, and hardly a Prussian uniform is to be seen. Wherever the Austrians fought unprotected by cover, and wherever the Prussian riflemen, armed with needle-guns, could see their enemies, the proportion of the dead becomes immediately apparent. The corn is trodden down all over the field as flat as if it were mown laid on a stable floor, and the ground is ploughed up and dug into holes with shells so thickly that it is hardly possible to ride in a straight direction for twenty yards.

On the top of the Lipa ridge, and near the village, stand a large number of the captured guns, with all their wagons and carriages beside them, and on the slope down from Sadowa the rest are placed under the charge of the corps of the Guard, which, in the Crown Prince's attack, stormed the batteries. Everywhere about the field fatigue parties are digging large trenches, in which the Austrian and Prussian dead are being laid side by side, clothed in their uniforms. No other tombstone is put to mark each grave than a plain wooden cross, on which is written the number of each regiment that lies below. The officers are placed in single graves near beside the men. But here and there a few are seen silently carrying some comrade to a more retired spot. On one part of the field a Prussian General with his staff was burying his son, who had fallen in the attack on the Austrian right. Close by, the wife of a private soldier, who had found her husband's body on the field, had it buried by some soldiers, had hung some oak branches on the little wooden cross at the head, and was sitting on the freshly-turned earth sobbing her heart out with his shattered helmet in her lap. She had followed his regiment in order to be near him from the beginning of the campaign, through all the long marches the army has made.

The less severely wounded have been moved to Horitz, from which, on the approach of the Prussians the inhabitants had nearly all fled. The vacated houses have been converted into hospitals, and at nearly every window and every door men are hanging about listlessly, with heads or arms bound up, with a half stupefied look, as if they had not yet recovered from the stunning effects of the blow which had disabled them. Many are Austrians, and are prisoners of war; but the greatest liberty seems to be accorded to them, for they are allowed to wander about the streets and to mix freely with the Prussian soldiers.

Long columns of unwounded prisoners have also been marched continually through the town on their way to the rear. The Austrians look dejected and unhappy, the marches moldily and silently along; the prisoners from the Italian regiments laugh and talk cheerily, and on them their imprisonment sits lightly.

Here and there an Austrian officer, prisoner on parole, strolls moodily about, stopping every now and then to venture the curious salutations of the Prussian officers who pass by. To see the anxiety of their friends at home, they write letters to announce that they are not killed, but taken, and these are sent, with a flag of truce to the Austrian lines. The greatest courtesy and kindness are shown by the Prussian officers to their unfortunate prisoners, and every attempt is made to make them feel their position as little as possible. Several Austrian officers wounded mortally on the field requested Prussian officers to send their last message to their families, requests which it is needless to say were readily complied with.

Field-Marshal GABLENZ has come here to-day from the Austrian headquarters, to ask for an armistice as a preliminary to peace; the result of his mission I have not yet heard, but it seems extremely improbable that Prussia could grant an armistice at this moment, when the Austrian Army is still in the field, and any pause in the operations of the campaign would be used to concentrate the Italian force, and from the distant provinces of the Empire in order to oppose the Prussian armies. Nor can peace be concluded by Prussia, without the concurrence of Italy, for a treaty exists between the Cabinets of Berlin and of Florence, by which neither can make peace without the consent of the other.

The actual junction of the two armies of the Crown Prince and of Prince FREDERICK CHARLES was effected on the battle-field of Koniggratz, and the Austrians have now lost the chance they had of falling upon each army separately. They are now united in one firm body, and number together in line of battle about 250,000 men, with about 900 guns. After the severe defeat which the Austrians have sustained it seems doubtful if they will be able to take the field for some time in sufficient force to oppose this large army; for since the beginning of the campaign they must have lost in killed, wounded, and prisoners almost 100,000 men. The morale of their army is desuroyed, and their inantry in open country cannot stand against the better-armed Prussians. The Austrians had hoped to be able to close with the bayonet, and so amend the effects of the fire of the needle-gun; but the idea of superiority in the use of the bayonet, in which the Austrian army prided itself, is one of those vanities which are common to every nation, and this war has proved that at close quarters the stronger men of Prussia have invariably overcome the Austrians.

HEADQUARTERS OF THE FIRST ARMY,
PRZELAUTSCH, Thursday, July 5.

The Prussian arms are everywhere successful. Intelligence has just been received here that the Bavarians have been defeated by Gen. VON FALKENSTEIN; and to-day the armies in Bohemia have passed the Elbe without opposition—a sure sign that the Austrian defeat at Koniggratz has been severely felt in their army.

Last night the armies broke up from the bivouac they had occupied near the field of battle of Koniggratz and have advanced toward the Elbe.

To-day they crossed the river, the First Army, under Prince FREDERICK CHARLES, at Przelautsch, the Second, under the Crown Prince, at Pardubitz. The march was begun last evening. After going a short way the troops halted for the night, and slept by the side of the road. Early this morning they again set forward and reached the Elbe late in the afternoon. The villages along the road had been mostly deserted, for the inhabitants had fled south with the retreating Austrian army. The houses looked desolate, with their doors and windows wide open, and shutters flapping mournfully in the wind, while there still remained in the street in front vestiges of the hasty packing up of such articles as could be carried away. A stray dog or two were seen here and there, which still stood on the threshold and barked at the soldiers as they went by; but even these were rare, and often the poultry had invaded the dwelling rooms, and were roosting among the furniture. For 25 miles the army marched through a luxuriantly fertile country, but almost entirely deserted; sometimes one or two peasants stood by the side of the road staring vacantly at the passing troops, or a few women might be found in a village who, half-frightened by the sight of the soldiers, supplied them with the drinking water which they everywhere requested. But the people had no cause to fear; they would have done better to remain, for some of the troops had to be billeted in the houses along the road, and when the inhabitants were not present when the soldiers took what they required, and there was no one to receive payment for what they consumed. The children did not seem so timid, they were present along the road in large numbers, for the cherries are just ripening, and they took advantage of the panic among their elders to make a raid on the trees, which grew in long strips by the side of the way. With them the soldiers soon became great friends. The boys ran along the battalions with their hats full of the fruit, and got coppers in exchange for handfuls of it; the sellers, exulting in the pocketsful of coin they soon collected, seemed to have no scruples as to whose property it rightfully was, but laughed with delight at this unexpected result of the war.

But for the most part the country in front of the army was still and silent. No church clock sounded, for their guardians had fled. There was no one to wind them up, and the hands stood motionless on the dial. No horses neighed, for they had all been taken to carry away the flying inhabitants, or perhaps to aid in dragging off the retreating Austrian guns. The flowers before the wayside shrines of the Madonna were dried up and withered, for the votaries who were wont to renew them had fled, fearful of the invading army. The cattle had been driven away, and the pastures were vacant. Broad belts of corn, trodden flat to the ground, showed the lines along which the Austrian battalions had hurried, and here and there lay a knapsack or ammunition pouch which some fatigued fugitive had cast away as an impediment to his flight.

But where the army marched all was bustle and noise; the infantry tramped monotonously along the roads, while the cavalry spread in bending lines through the fields, and behind the combatants toiled long trains of wagons, which carried the stores of this large army. Along every road and every lane foot soldiers marched, and cavalry occupied the intervals between the heads of the columns—all pointing southward, toward the Elbe. For miles on either side could be seen the clouds of dust raised by the marching troops; in some places of them trees and woods, in others from among houses, or from the hard straight roads leading through the wide corn land, where the July sun poured its rays straight down upon the soldiers' heads and made them suffer much from heat and thirst.

As the foremost troops neared the Elbe all ears listened eagerly for the sound of cannon, for it was thought that if the Austrians could bring their troops under fire again they would oppose the passage of the river, and whether they did so or not would be accepted as a criterion of how much they had suffered by Tuesday's defeat. The heads of the columns steadily advanced nearer and nearer to the line of hills which marked the course of the stream, and still no cannon sounded, no rifle even was discharged, and it seemed that the advanced guard must have passed unopposed. At last the news came back that the passage was secured, and that there were no signs of the enemy on the opposite bank, and soon the troops began to cross the river and to defile over the wooden bridge which, with four arches, spans the muddy stream; and the black and yellow stripes on its parapets were the only visible signs that we were in Austria.

Prince FREDERICK CHARLES occupied Przelautsch about 6 o'clock this evening, and almost at the same time the Crown Prince entered Pardubitz. The line of the Elbe is now secured as a basis for future operations, and the Austrian railway communication between Vienna and Prague is cut. At the latter town there are said to be only four Austrian battalions, and it is expected to be evacuated by them and occupied by the Prussians within a few days.

As we left the rising ground of the battle-field this morning, the fortress of Koniggratz lay about five miles to the left below us, surrounded by wide sheets of water. Its high church towers and the tops of the houses peered up above the grass-green evenly-ruled mounds which form the fortifications, and a high pole with a flag waving from it in the centre of the town showed where the hospital was. There did not seem to be any preparations made for its defence; no guns could be seen in the embrasures, no working parties were strengthening the batteries or cutting down the trees to hew them into palisades. On the contrary the garrison seemed employed in packing up large quantities of baggage, as if a march was contemplated, and the fortress was to be evacuated. It seems incredible that the Austrians should give up a fortress, even though a small one, without a blow, but it looked to-day very much like it. Yet this commandant had refused to yield on the night of the battle to a self-authorized demander of the capitulation of the fortress. An officer of the Ziethen Hussars, who were forward in the pursuit, rode as far as the gates of Koniggratz, and, finding there were no sentries outside, rode in. The guard, immediately on seeing him in his Prussian uniform, turned out and seized him, when, with a ready presence, he declared he had come to demand the capitulation of the fortress. He was conducted to the commandant, and made the same demand to him, adding that the town would be bombarded if not surrendered within an hour; the commandant, unconscious that he was not dealing with a legitimate messenger, courteously refused to capitulate; but the Hussar was conducted out of the town, passed through the guard at the entrance, and got off safely without being made a prisoner.

This town, with an unpronounceable Bohemian name, is entirely filled with Prussian soldiers. On every door is written in chalk the name of the regiment and company to which the house is allotted, and the number of men which it is to accommodate. The numbers appear enormous for the size of the house; 50 or 60 men are sometimes billeted in a small house with four rooms, but the soldiers manage well enough so long as they can get straw to lie upon; but here there has not been a great plenty of that, and the men have had to sleep as they can, on the floors or in the gardens. The greatest difficulty prevails in getting any accommodation for horses; all the stables are occupied by the horses of Generals, and inferior officers would fain have sheds, cowhouses, or any place with a cover, for the weather looks lowering and it will probably rain, but all the sheds are occupied by the troops, and it seems that most of the horses will have to spend the night in the streets.

But there are advantages here which compensate for more than a little overcrowding, for large Austrian stores of bread, beer and cigars have been found here, and the soldiers and officers think that they will again have their rations

SUMMER RESORTS.

A Tramp and Tarry Among the Adirondacks and Lakes.

From an Occasional Correspondent.

ESSEX COUNTY, N. Y., Sunday, July 15, 1866.

Probably less than a half million of the four million of inhabitants of the State of New-York are aware of the fact that within the limits of their own State is to be found the wildest and grandest scenery east of the Mississippi River. Within a diameter of a hundred miles, embracing portions of the Counties of Essex, Franklin, St. Lawrence, Hamilton and Herkimer, the convulsions of nature have tumbled the earth's surface into an almost seeming chaos of mountain ranges, deep gorges and beautiful valleys. The mountain sides are vocal with the music of a thousand streams, which wildly career over their rocky beds on their way to the ocean. Hundreds of lakes and lakelets are scattered amidst the valleys, and are even found on the mountain tops. Brook, creek, river and pond are alive with speckled trout, which snap at the fly or worm with a greed which is sure to reward the angler for his tramp. The deer, too, roams through the forest wilds undisturbed, except by an occasional pursuit by his natural enemy, the wolf, or the baying of the sportsman's hound or the crack of his rifle. It is in this region that I delight to roam during the Summer months, away from the heat of the City, and the display and excitements of our fashionable resorts elsewhere.

The Adirondacks, the Saranac Lakes, the Raquette River waters, and JOHN BROWN'S tract have been heard of by everybody in New-York and New-England, and yet but few have more than a vague idea of what they are—whether they are one and the same or different sections—how they are relatively situated—how they are to be reached, and the *modus operandi* of getting through them. Even the almost ubiquitous newspaper correspondent seldom reaches these wilds; or if he does, it is to forget to use his pen—for the nonce to become oblivious to the existence of newspapers—and to seek relaxation for his mind rather than to write for the entertainment of others. And as to books, I know of nothing trustworthy which has been published except the work of Mr. ALFRED B. STREET, who has in a pleasing way well described the country about the Saranac waters. The artists of course have penetrated into the wilderness and have reproduced on canvas many of the most charming episodes of lake and mountain scenery; but their efforts, after gracing an exhibition at the Academy, go into some gentleman's private collection and are no more the subject of popular admiration. And I now take up my pen with reluctance, for I would much rather be climbing mountains, throwing the fly, waiting by a lake side for a deer, or even lying pensive in the shade by some mountain waterfall, than to endeavor to write a descriptive article of what I see for the information of others. And what I shall recount as the experience of our party will be inspired by a conviction of duty to the uninformed rather than by choice. And when I speak of our "party," I don't mean a close communion coterie of masculinity, accompanied by a perepatetic arsenal and ambulatory liquor establishment. Many suppose that mountain tramps and tours among the lakes and rivers of this wilderness, and life under the canvas tent or bark shanty and by the camp fire, can only be undertaken by men. Nothing could be further from the fact. In our jaunts we have had, as the boarding-house advertisements say, "all the comforts of a home." "Stag parties" have always been my abhorrence. They are only justified by "military necessity." Hence I take with me into the wilderness my household gods, or goddesses rather, and our fireside altar is daily set up amid the wild surroundings of nature.

The return of the Summer's sun and foliage this year was the signal for preparation for our gypsy jaunt. This was but a short work of itself; but as we were to tarry a fortnight in the borders of civilization, a herculean task must be accomplished in millinery and dressmaking architecture for that brief figment of human experience. Of this I need not further speak. Our study was not what to take with us on our tramp, but what to leave behind. Elegance in dress can be carried along to be used until camp life is about to commence; then everything superfluous must be left in trunks and only the indispensibles carried with us. These, for our party, consisting of Donna Maria, the Senorita, the Russian and myself, may be summed up as follows:

A pair of soldier's blankets for each person, an India rubber blanket for each two, a few yards of mosquito netting, a substantial flie-rod with flies and snells, a good rifle and ammunition, a canteen for each person, a few tin plates and cups, knives, forks and spoons; a wire gridiron, a jack-knife or two, condensed milk and coffee, tea, currant jelly, pickles, a dozen pounds of smoked beef. Tents and articles of camp equipage and provisions, other than those I have named, we obtained either before starting or on the jaunt. As to dress, each person takes two suits of woolen underclothing. The ladies have each a woolen bloomer dress with trowsers, a pair of flannel skirts, a water-proof, a shawl, two pairs of woolen stockings, a sundown, and a pair of strong kip boots to meet the contingency of a mire or swamp. The Russian and myself take each a flannel overshirt, a last year's woolen suit, a pair of thick boots and an old soft hat.

Preparations completed, we purchase tickets by the Troy boat and Rensselaer and Saratoga Railroad to the lake—that is, the head or southern extremity of Lake Champlain. Passengers going by way of Albany are annoyed by being compelled to change cars at Waterford Junction. Leaving New-York at night, we arrive at the lake at 11:15 o'clock the next morning, and are at once transferred on board the Lake Champlain steamer. The routes thence to the Saranac Lakes are two; by one the passenger lands at Westport early in the afternoon, and crosses the Bouquet, Keene and Adirondack ranges of mountains, passing through the villages of Elizabethtown, Keene and North Elba—a distance of forty-three miles to the lakes. From the moment after leaving Westport the eye catches a sight of the "Raven"—a prominent peak of the Boquet range, a mile east of Elizabethport—it is always in sight of mountain-peaks, immense masses of rock, stupendous precipices, deep gorges and ravines, picturesque valleys and primitive forest. The road goes within sight of Mounts Marcy, McIntyre, McMartin, Wallface, Whiteface, Pitch-off, and many other noted points in the mountain ranges. The tourist visiting the Adirondacks should by all means take this route. By the other the passenger lands at Port Kent, and goes thence by Beesonville, Clintonville, Ausable Forks and Franklin Falls to the Saranacs—a distance of fifty-two miles—the road skirting the north of Essex County and north of the mountain ranges. This is the route usually taken to the Saranacs, but by it the tourist loses the sight of the scenic beauties of the Adirondack region without gaining in time. Beside the stage communication between Westport and the Saranacs, private conveyances can at any time be obtained at fabulously cheap rates by those who desire to pass directly through the lake regions.

Having written so much by way of general direction to those wishing to reach the mountain and lakes of our State, I will return to the personal experiences of our gypsy party. Landing at Westport at 3:30 o'clock in the afternoon, we were conveyed by stage in two hours to Elizabethtown, the county seat of Essex County, arriving there within twenty-four hours from New-York. This is a village of about six hundred inhabitants, situated on the Bouquet and surrounded by mountains on all sides. In its early history it was known as "Pleasant Valley," and by the people here it is oftener called "the Valley" than by any other name. The Valley of the Boquet is from a quarter of a mile to a mile in width, and is under successful cultivation; but a mile from it to the east or west, is an unbroken wilderness except along the few highways which traverse the country. Many of the resident families in the village are highly educated and polished, and are fitted to grace the best society in our cities. Some of the residences are built, and the ground about them are ornamented with a taste that evinces the possession of wealth, and a cultivation that knows how to appropriately use it. The two hotels of the village we found to be nearly full of Summer boarders, mostly from New-York and Philadelphia, some of whom, like ourselves, were making a brief tarrying prior to going into the wilderness. Here it is that we "go into training" for the more arduous part of our tramp, when we bid good-bye to civilization and convenience—our primitive life in the woods. Experience has taught us the importance of strengthening and hardening the muscular system by climbing less difficult steeps, if we were to successfully surmount the immense granite heights of the Adirondacks. Daily walks of increasing length up and down the roads to the ravines where Rice Mills Falls and Little Falls form picturesque views to delight the eye of the lover of the beautiful, increase the powers of endurance. At the former spot we found WOOD, of Philadelphia, engaged in painting a large picture of that beautiful cascade and its charming surroundings. The ascent of Buck Hill and Wood Hill, at the base of which the village is situated, is a good beginning in learning to clamber up mountain sides. This accomplished, the ladies are in a good condition to make the ascent of the "Cobble" or the "Raven"—two higher peaks in the range, and both of which are within a mile of the village. The Cobble is about fourteen hundred feet in height from its base, and the Raven four or five hundred feet higher. The former, however, is more difficult of ascent, owing to the precipitous crags which incumber its sides, and which, literally by hook and by crook, lifting and pulling, and much hard work, can be scaled.

Three days since, the Russian and myself undertook the ascent of the Cobble. It being the result of a sudden thought, we were unable at the moment to get a guide, and we started for the base of the mountain without the prospect of any such assistance. As we were about to commence the ascent, we met a boy of only nine years, who thought he could guide us, though he had never been more than half way up himself. But, though a tough little fellow, he was soon out of his latitude, or altitude, rather, and we found ourselves pressing through a dense growth of bushes and saplings, over detached bits of granite thrown chaotically together, and on which, at short intervals, trees had fallen. But difficult as was this effort, the arduousness of the task was heightened by our encountering every now and then a steep declivity of rock which we must either go around, which sometimes was impassable without retracing one step, or climb a sapling, and thence swing over on the height we sought to attain. Frequent rests and copious drafts from a canteen of cold tea were the most enjoyable part of the journey, until its end was reached. But as height after height was attained, and the expanse of country within the range of the eye was widened, the view became more and more interesting, until from the pinnacle it was one of most picturesque grandeur. The Green Mountains of Vermont with the Camel's Hump and Mount Mansfield and Lake Champlain were plainly visible to the eye. The Boquet River followed its serpentine course through the valley, seemingly not more than six feet wide. To the southwest the Giant of the Valley, nearly 3,000 feet above tide-water, loomed up in grand proportions above us. To the west a spur of mountains ending with the "Pitch-off" (there are two mountains of that name in Essex County) obstructed the view of anything beyond, while to the northeast the bald face of "Poke a Moonshine" to the left and Mount Discovery to the right completed the picture. The village to the naked eye appeare like a group of miniature houses. A good field glass did not do much to dispel the illusion. On a field by the village a dozen or so of white speaks were seen moving about, which the glass discovered to us were boys playing base-ball in their shirt-sleeves. After an hour's tarry we commenced our descent, and were again compelled to follow a devious course by reason of finding now and then that we had walked to the edge of a cliff. Our ingenuity was often not a little taxed in making the descent, but we succeeded in reaching the base of the mountain with much more ease than we had climbed it. The Russian is resolute in his determination to climb no more mountains without a trustworthy guide. I coincide with him fully.

Our next effort was in climbing the Raven, on which occasion the ladies were of the party, and for which ascent we were rewarded by a still grander view than had yet greeted us on the jaunt. This time we had secured CHARLEY MCREA, a young lad who is occasionally called upon to guide parties up and down the neighboring mountains. Each of the party carried a canteen with cold tea or water and a light traveling-bag with luncheon, they being slung across the shoulders by means of leather straps. To the base of the Raven was of itself a walk of over a mile, though from the valley even the peak seemed but a short distance. If Washington is "the city," Essex County is the country "of magnificent distances." But we commenced the ascent. The number of our party was increased by the addition of the allemande—a lady friend of Donna MARIA'S—a Sena, a playmate of the Señorita's. Each of the ladies used a staff to aid in the ascent, and the Russian and myself found them not inconvenient, as we brought up the rear. The appearance of the ladies in their mountain costume of dark cloth, trimmed with bright colors, while clambering up and down the rocks in advance of us, was picturesque in the extreme. The Señorita is but twelve years of age, but is large for her years. She grumbled a little at first because of the fatigue of the ascent, but as we reached each successive shelf of rock, from which the scenic beauties of the country were more plainly visible, she became more interested in the tramp, and soon had wholly ceased to complain. Of necessity, frequent rests were indulged in, but at the end of two and a half hours we had reached the crown of the Raven. The ascent having been effected, the first item on the programme was to bring out the luncheon. Our appetites were ravenous. There is nothing like mountain climbing to give to the plainest and most substantial articles of food the keenest relish. Bologna sausage, smoked beef, bread and butter and pickles form a bill of fare which satisfies the most dainty taste after such a tramp. Cake, which had been supplied us with the other articles for lunch, was only tasted after the supply of less delicate food had been exhausted, and even then it was eaten with no satisfaction.

The day was charming for the purposes of our jaunt. The sun shone out brightly. When we left the valley the mercury was up in the eighties, but with a brisk mountain breeze blowing, and with the shade of the foliage along our path, we had not felt the heat to be oppressive; and on the mountain top, over 2,000 feet above tide-water, the winds were delightfully cool and refreshing, and our woolen garments we found to be comfortable. The atmosphere was unusually transparent, and distances could be discovered with great clearness. Beyond the mountain ranges, which the Russian and I had seen from the Cobble, other peaks seemed to have risen. Behind the main range of the Green Mountains and in the northeast two mountain tops were just visible on the horizon—a faint gray, but with outlines distinctly marked. A subsequent examination of the map showed them to be Jay Peak and another mountain in Vermont, and near to the Canada line. A large extent of the Champlain Valley, with Burlington, Vergennes and other villages in Vermont, and Westport and Essex in New-York, was visible. The lake itself was plainly visible from Crown Point to Raven, near its northern extremity, except where the view was obstructed by Bouquet Mountain, near Essex, and the range of the Adirondacks terminating in Trembleau Mountain, in the northeastern part of the country, the most northerly glimpses of it being seen west of it through Poke-a-moonshine Notch. Then to the south rises a succession of steeps beyond the valley; among them is seen the silvery surface of Black Pond, which adds to the picturesqueness of the view. High as we were, the old Giant of the Valley loomed far above us; but still beyond it, in the south, a higher chain of mountain greets the vision along the southern horizon.

Prominent in the range is Dix's Peak, over five thousand feet above the level of the sea, Nipple Top, McComb's mountain, and a half dozen other unnamed mountain masses rise up before the eye; and beyond there even, the faint outline of other peaks could be seen. The view of the intervening valley is beyond my powers of just description. The contrast between the cultivated fields and the wooded sides and bold rocks of the mountain tops gives a most pleasing variety to the picture. In the west, the eye encounters views equally attractive. A notch occurs between the lesser Pitch-off and a high mountain to the south, through which is the road to Keene and the Saranacs. Over the Notch, but far beyond and peering just above the horizon, are the tops of two high peaks of the Adirondack chain. Mount Marcy, next to Mount Wsanington, New-Hampshire, and the Black Mountain in North Corolina, the highest mountain east of the Mississippi, and Mount McMartin, or Colden, to the east of Indian Pass. Then running north of the lesser Pitch-off is a succession of peaks which finally connects with the main chain of the Adirondacks, which became prominently visible in the view of Poke-a-moonshine to the north of us.

The tourist can never fail to be delighted with the view from the summit of the Raven. But few, except those who reside about it, have ascended it, and hence it has but little fame to attract visitors. In every direction the attractions of the view are nuberless. At the end of a three hours' stay we were as interested as when we first gazed from our night upon the landscape before us.

Our descent was easily made, though more dangerous than the ascent, because of the difficulty of always keeping a firm foot-hold on the rocks. But in an hour's time we had reached the base and soon were at the hotel with an appetite for supper.

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The Connecticut and Passumpsic Valleys.

From Our Own Correspondent.

ST. JOHNSBURY, Vt., Saturday, July 14, 1866.

I don't know of any pleasanter route from New-York to the country than the one over which I have been traveling during the past few days. Taking the New-Haven steamboat at Peck-slip in the afternoon the traveler soon finds himself beyond the noise of the City and its busy wharves, passing swiftly by the beautiful shores of the East River and emerging upon the broad bosom of the Sound where the breeze smells salty and proves invigorating.

Arriving at New-Haven at 8 o'clock, connection is made with the cars for Springfield, Mass., and a three hours' ride brings you to a comfortable bed at the Massasoit. The next morning you are in proper trim for enjoying the magnificent scenery of the Connecticut Valley. Past the busy manufacturing town of Chicopee with its 70,000 spindles in motion, over the Connecticut at Willimansett, catching a glimpse to the northwest of the village of Holyoke, famous for its splendid water-power, you stop at Smith's Ferry, whence the river must be crossed to reach South Hadley, where is located the celebrated Mount Holyoke Female Seminary. Then comes a beautiful stretch of four miles, presenting varied objects of interest. On the right rises Mount Holyoke, its steep side lined with the railway which carries passengers to the Prospect House that rests like a crown upon the summit of the mountain. To the left is Mount Tom, and the train rushes like a meteor between these giant hills, to stop at the pleasant town of Northampton, notable for its famous water-cure and hotel, its Insane Asylum, its Smith's Agricultural School and a great deal else. Passing by Easthampton with its many schools and factories, and catching a glimpse of classic Amherst and broad-streeted Hadley, the latter celebrated as being the place of refuge of "the regicides," WM. GOFFE and EDWARD WHALLEY, two of the Judges who condemned CHARLES I. to death, and also the birthplace of Gen. JOSEPH HOOKER, commanding the Department of the East—you come to the great bend in the Connecticut where the river runs seven miles to gain one. Presently the conical peak of Sugar Loaf Mountain presents itself to view, recalling to mind the terrible events of the early settlement of the valley, when the Indian Chief King PHILIP, from his outlook upon this very mountain peak, kept watch upon the movements of the whites, and sallied out with his savage hordes to massacre them. The historic incidents of the Indian massacres at South Deerfield and Deerfield, and at Bloody Brook, familiar to school-boy days, are revived with all their fillings in of heroism and romance. Past these, and a score of other thrifty manufacturing and agricultural towns, whose neat houses and well-tilled fields delight the eye, you leave Massachusetts at South Vernon and enter Vermont, still riding by the bank of the Connecticut, and charmed with the extensive view up the valley, the mountain range opposite Brattleboro, and the passing sight of the summit of Monadnock, 3,450 feet above the sea, 30 miles to the eastward, in Jaffrey, N. H. Through Fort Dammer, the first settlement in Vermont, five minutes or less bring you to Brattleboro, which is one of the most beautiful towns on the Connecticut River. Here is the State Insane Asylum, and here lives also CHARLES C. FROST, the Scientific Shoemaker, who beside sticking to his last, has managed to acquire several languages, and has become one of the most noted botanists in the country.

Continuing north and passing stations of no special interest except as being the scenes of conflict between the early settlers and the Indians, you reach Walpole, the home of the Bellows family, one of the prettiest towns in the valley, where Rev. H. W. BELLOWS, of New-York, grandson of the founder of the town, has his Summer residence. Walpole is also celebrated as having been the home of brave JOHN KILBURN, one of the early settlers, who with his son, a lad of 18, and two hired men, kept a horde of 200 Indians at bay, in 1795, the whole of a midsummer afternoon, by barricading his log cabin and fighting grimly until the savages abandoned the attack. Tradition says that these four brave men poured their powder in their hats for greater convenience, and Mrs. KILBURN and her daughter loaded the guns, of which there were several sprre ones. As their stock of lead ran short, they suspended blankets over their heads to catch the balls of the enemy, which penetrated one side of the roof and fell short of the other. These Spartan women immediatly ran this lead into bullets, which, before they had time to cool, were sent back to the savages. In honor to brave KILBURN'S memory, the students of Amherst and Middlebury Colleges met at Bellows Falls, in 1856, and christened the mountain which rises precipitately from the river, on the New-Hamsphire side, Mount Kilburn.

At Bellows Falls the scenery surpasses any other on the route in wildness and grandeur. Mount Kilburn rises over 800 feet directly out of the water, and the river rushes down a rocky gorge, making a descent of 42 feet. The falls formerly were famous as a fishing place, and the Indians came here to catch shad and salmon. Indeed, I am informed that the last mentioned fish was so numerous, even after the whites came here, that workmen stipulated with their employers that they should not be compelled to eat salmon more than twice a week. The Rutland and Burlington and the Cheshire Railroads intersect the valley here, and a gentleman who was traveling on the road last Winter tells me the following incident, which I believe has not been in print before: A lady of venerable aspect appeared on the platform of the depot at Bellows Falls with the inevitable bandbox and bundle. She was pacing up and down quietly when the conductor shouted out "all aboard." The old lady not heeding what he said, he called to her to know where she was going. "To Fitchburgh" was her reply. "Then get on the cars at once" said the conductor. "Why! don't the whole consarn go?" she asked, alluding to the depot. "Not to-day" was the reply, "so you had better get in this car." "Wall, now, Mister is that so, I never rid a rod on a railroad afore." A freight train having been stalled in the deep snow, a little further along in the Ashuelot Valley, the passenger train moved up to it to aid it, when an engine under a full head of steam came rushing down the grade, and before it saw the signal, owing to the blinding snow, it came crashing into the rear car and broke it to pieces, killing several people and wounding others. All were in great consternation, when the conductor, not seeing the old lady, supposing she must be injured, went in search of her. He found her sitting alone, and although she had turned a complete somersault into the seat in front of her, was perfectly composed. "Are you hurt" he asked. "Hurt? why?" said the lady. "We just met with a severe accident, and some of the people are killed." "La me! I thought that was the way you always did when you wanted to stop."

But I grow weary of mentioning even the names of the beautiful places through which we pass on the trip through the valley—Ascutney Mountain on the right, Windsor, where the Vermont State Prison is located, and where Messrs. EVARTS and STOUGHTON, of the New-York Bar, have their Summer residences, and White River Junction, where trains from the north, south, east and west meet. Here the Vermont Central Railroad passes into the valley of White River, and pursues a more westerly course, while the Northern New-Hampshire road, forming a junction with it, crosses the Connecticut and connects at Concord, N. H., with other roads leading into Boston. The Connecticut and Passumpsic River Railroad extends from this place in a northerly course, crossing White River at its mouth, just north of the station to Newport, on Lake Memphremagog, passing through the rich and fertile valleys of the Connecticut and Passumpsic Rivers. The scenery along the route from White River to Newport is delightful. In the beautiful village of Hanover, N. H., is Dartmouth College, one of the oldest in New-England, and not far from this seat of learning is another, the Norwich University, which was established in 1820. Pompanoosuc is the name of a little village from which is shipped large quantities of copper ore, taken from a mine several miles west, in Orange County.

The next point of interest is Bradford, which is a place only second in importance on the route from White River to Memphremagog to St. Johnsbury, where I am now stopping. Here there is a large manufacturing interest carried on, water power being furnished by Waite's River, a beautiful stream which runs through the town. In this town in 1812 was made the first artificial globe ever made in the United States. A ride of a few miles west of Bradford, over delightful mountain roads, brings the visitor, if he is of an investigating turn of mind like myself, to the rich copper mines of the Union Company in Corinth, Orange County. The mines of the Union Company were only opened in July, 1865; but such has been the enormous yield that the Company during the past year has found itself in possession of sufficient revenue to construct eighteen frame dwellings for miners, the necessary business offices, a carpenter's shop, blacksmith's shop, a dressing house, two storehouses; purchase nine or ten teams for hauling ores; mules, wagons, harness, &c., and pay for the labor of removing the earth, sinking shafts, driving in drifts and adits into the side of the mountain to reach the vein of ore. Beside paying for these improvements, the officer of the Company who gave me this information says that there remains still a large balance in the treasury and at least $50,000 worth of ore are now ready for market. The price of ore and of copper is on the increase, owing to the troubles in Europe and in Chili, but the supply from these Vermont mines seems to be inexhaustible, and as the miners go deeper into the earth the vein grows richer and richer. The copper obtained from these mines is of a better quality than any other found, being almost as malleable and ductile as gold leaf.

Leaving Bradford, and passing the pleasant towns of Newbury, Wells River, Ryegate, Walls and Barnet, I stopped at St. Johnsbury, where I availed myself of the opportunity of visiting the extensive factory of the Messrs. FAIRBANKS, in which are employed about four hundred hands. The village is very beautiful, having nine churches, school-houses and stores, and generally a neat and thrifty appearance. There are about four thousand inhabitants, and the place is the shire town of Caledonia County—a commodious and neat Court-house crowning the eminence west of the depot and offices of the Connecticut and Passumpsic River Railroad. But the life of the town is the Fairbanks Scale Manufactory, and it will doubtless interest your readers to print the following brief sketch of this vast establishment, which, for convenience sake, I transcribe from advance sheets of a comprehensive and correct guide-book of the Connecticut Valley and White Mountain Region, kindly given me by the author, Mr. BURT, of Springfield, Mass.:

The manufactory is situated on Sleeper's River, west of Main-street. With a small beginning this establishment has grown to mammoth proportions, and at the present time FAIRBANKS' Scales are used almost throughout the civilized world. Indeed, they have become so general that it is much easier to tell where they are not used than where they are. They are the invention of Mr. THADDEUS FAIRBANKS, the only surviving member of the original firm composed of three brothers, ERASTUS, THADDEUS, and JOSEPH P. FAIRBANKS. Like most great inventions, this had its origin in almost a trifling circumstance, and has far surpassed even the intention and expectation of the inventor. In 1829 there was an excitement among the farmers in Vermont and New-York concerning the cultivation of hemp. ERASTUS and THADDEUS FAIRBANKS were then engaged in manufacturing plows, stoves, &c., and a company in Lamoille County applied to them to build a hemp-dressing machine. After completing it they built one for themselves, having determined to carry on the business of hemp-dressing, in addition to that which they were already doing. When the farmers began to bring in their hemp, there was a want of some arrangement to determine its weight while upon the wagon, so as to save time and labor. The active brain of THADDEUS was called in requisition, and he finally succeeded in perfecting a rude contrivance for weighing the hemp, but containing essentially the principles now used in the scales. At that time transactions by weight were confined essentially to the use of the Even Balance, the Dearborn Beam, and the Roman Steelyards. ERASTUS, who, with his quick discerning eye, saw its importance, advised his brother to obtain a patent. Application was made, and a patent granted, bearing date of the year 1830. At this time it was not intended to apply the principle to scales only for weighing hemp, hay and other agricultural products; but there being a demand for them in other branches of business, their modifications have been multiplied until they now number 125—from the neat letter balance of a fractional ounce to the ponderous weighlock scale of 500 tons. This was the origin of the Fairbanks Scale, and, although the hemp excitement was of short duration, it produced one of the most important inventions to the business world that has ever been perfected. A patent was taken out by them in England and a Liverpool firm engaged in the manufacture of the scales, but subsequent improvements and great accuracy have made those of American manufacture the most popular, even in England and throughout all Europe.

Before the opening of the railroad to St. Johnsbury, all the freight of the establishment was carried by teams to Portland and Burlington. Since the construction of the road, of which Gov. ERASTUS FAIRBANKS was one of the principal movers, and for several years its President, the business has greatly increased. In 1865 their in-coming and out-going freight amounted to 5,729 tons. They use about twelve tons of iron daily in their foundry, and in a single year they consume about a million feet of lumber in packing-boxes. Their freight bills amount annually to about $50,000, and their monthly pay-roll $15,000 to $17,000. Their business, for a single year amounts to a million of dollars. The members of the firm are now THADDEUS, HORACE and FRANKLIN, the two latter sons of ERASTUS. JOSEPH P., the youngest brother, died in 1855, and ERASTUS in 1864. CHARLES FAIRBANKS, another son of the Governor's, who was for a time a member of the firm, retired from it several years ago, on account of ill-health.

Ex-Gov. ERASTUS FAIRBANKS, the senior partner, was a man of more than ordinary ability, although his advantages for an early education were quite limited. He was born at Brimfield, Mass., Oct. 3, 1792, and was a son of a poor farmer. His father being unable to give him an education, he attended only the district school, from which he "graduated" at the age of 17. In May, 1812, he left the parental home and went to St. Johnsbury to reside with Judge EPHRAM PADDOCK, a maternal uncle, and in whose office it was his intention to study law. His eyes being too weak to admit of his pursuing a course of study he abandoned the plan, and the two subsequent Winters taught the district school on the plain in St. Johnsbury. In the Summer of 1813 he was clerk in a store at Windsor. In 1814 he opened a store in Wheelock, two towns north of St. Johnsbury, in connection with Mr. FREDERICK PHELPS, of St. Johnsbury, who furnished the goods—Mr. FAIRBANKS' only capital at this time being a horse and wagon which his father had given him, and which he subsequently sold to a better for $75, taking his pay in hats. He finally purchased the goods of Mr. PHELPS for $600, giving a note for them, to be paid the following Winter in ashes. In 1818 he sold his store in Wheelock and removed to East St. Johnsbury, where he opened another. In the Autumn of that year he went to Barnet, where he remained in the mercantile business until 1824, when he removed to St. Johnsbury and commenced business with his brothers, who, with their parents, had removed from Brimfield to St. Johnsbury in 1815. They commenced the manufacture of stoves and plows. It was, however, with great difficulty that they found a sale for the plows, as the farmers considered cast-iron as too brittle a material to successfully take the place of the rude ones made of wrought-iron and wood. They were obliged to take them to the farmers, where they were left on trial. Finally these plows became quite popular and had a large sale.

Gov. FAIRBANKS represented St. Johnsbury in the Legislature in 1836-7-8. In 1844 and 1848 he was chosen Presidential elector on the Clay and Taylor tickets. In 1852 he was elected Governor of Vermont, and in 1864 he died, lamented and loved by all who knew him.

The Messrs. FAIRBANKS have done much to beautify and adorn St. Johnsbury, and their residences are models of neatness and good taste.

FELIX.

Military Arrest Under Gen. Grant's Last Order.

The Fredericksburgh *News* gives the following as the first case that has occurred under Gen. GRANT'S last order:

"On Saturday, Mr. J. H. KEENE, a Northern man, who resided north of the Potomac during the war, and came here about six months ago, was arrested and carried off to Richmond, to be detained "in military confinement until a proper judicial tribunal may be ready and willing to try him."

It seems that some days ago a negro was passing under the window of Mr. KEENE'S tin-shop, on or near whom Mr. KEENE, unintentionally, threw an old quid of tobacco; the negro, in an insolent and threatening manner, asked Mr. KEENE "who the h—ll he was throwing his tobacco on." Some words passed, the negro cursed him, and he picked up a small hammer and ran after him; overtaking the negro, he asked what he meant by his impudence, and the negro repeated his impudence, and threatened fight, whereupon Mr. KEENE gave him a few cracks with the hammer, not inflicting any serious injury.

The negro was insolent to the magistrate in conduct when demanding a warrant, was proved by one negro and one white man, who heard the quarrel, to have made a false statement in regard to his conduct in the beginning, had not been hurt by the punishment, and was really the party first in fault. The magistrate, thinking it unnecessary to grant a warrant, 'failed' to do so. On the negro's statement, we suppose, Mr. KEENE was arrested, taken from his business and carried to military confinement."

LOCAL INTELLIGENCE.

CHOLERA.

Important Letter from Dr. Harris—The Official Reports Yesterday—Mortuary Statistics.

The following timely letter explains itself:

METROPOLITAN BOARD OF HEALTH,
NEW-YORK, July 23, 1866.

To the President of the Metropolitan Board of Health:

SIR: Every city and town with which we correspond, and with which New-York and Brooklyn hold intercourse, urgen tly ask:

1. Is the Metropolitan Board of Health doing all it can to prevent the propagation of cholera?

2. What means are relied upon in the warfare against this disease?

3. What must now be done by cities and towns, and by families and individuals, to aid this work of prevention, as well as to secure their own protection?

These are vitally important questions; and if faithfully answered and acted upon, we should hope to see this exotic pestilence shorn of its terrors. In view of existing exigencies and this universal desire for specific information concerning the means of prevention upon which we most rely, I beg leave, as Corresponding Secretary of the Board, to furnish the following concise replies for the practical use of all. More complete and satisfactory information can be subsequently issued in official form. These replies may lead to the adoption of preventive measures and sanitary care, that will aid in staying the progress of cholera, and in controlling any needless fear it causes.

The first question is best answered by stating that the entire staff of sanitary officers, numbering nearly seventy physicians, is incessantly at work, aided by the Sanitary Engineer and the whole force of the Police Sanitary Company, fighting the cholera on its own ground, and that this warfare has been going on every day since April. This struggle against local filth, foul air and an exotic infection is now at its height.

The second question, namely: What are the means most relied upon in this warfare against this disease?—we answer by stating: First, that every effort continues to be put forth by the sanitary authorities to secure the prompt removal of surface filth, nuisances, faulty conditions in crowded dwellings, defects of house drainage, and whatever can produce foul air. Secondly, the most powerful and permanent antiseptics and disinfectants are employed throughout both cities. Privies and foul drains, filthy tenements and cellars, and particularly the soiled clothing and all the discharges from cholerac patients, are disinfected as soon as found, and such disinfection is continued until the malady ceases upon the premises. The houses, blocks and districts in which diarrheal diseases of any kind have proved fatal, are mapped out on a plot of the City every day, and the Sanitary officers at once proceed against the enemy as found in these strongholds. Quicklime and charcoal powders in vast quantities are used for absorbing and purifying putrid surfaces. Chloride of lime and saturated solutions of copperas, (sulphate of iron,) with coal-tar powders and acids, are used to disinfect privies and house-drains. The copperas and the chloride solutions are specially employed to disinfect every vessel, every sur ace, every water-closet and privy where the rice-water discharges have been thrown; and we here state that there exists no record of such thoroughness in the application of antiseptics or disinfectants in any great city, although the British army in India, during the past two years, and some of the smaller towns in Europe during the present epidemic, are giving similar examples with similar success. By thus extinguishing the factor of infection that pertains to rice-water and diarrheal discharges of the sick, and by general measures arresting, at the same time or beforehand, all kinds of putrefaction, as completely as practicable under the thousand-and-one injunctions that obstruct the sanitary work, we hope to save many lives.

But all this work of cleansing and disinfection would be sadly insufficient without an efficient system of providing instant medical care for all the poor who are seized with cholera. In these crowded cities and in every place where the epidemic may come, the immediate care of the sick, given at the earliest stages as well as late in the disease, is justly regarded as one of the most essential means of arresting the epidemic at its outbreak in any locality and of preventing further disseminatfon of its infection. The complete system of voluntary and philanthropic organization by which the Board of Health is to be aided in this work, is beginning to be illustrated in Brooklyn, where every family in a populous Ward was visited by skillful physicians yesterday.

Finally, we answer the third question, viz.: What must now be done by cities and towns and by families and individuals? *First*—By suggesting that, as far as may be practicable, every city and village should, without any delay, adopt the very measures which the Metropolitan Board of Heal h has put in operation against cholera. These measures are the result of careful research and the best experience. In smaller cities and villages it will be entirely practicable for the local authorities to carry out this system far more efficiently than it can be carried out in this crowded metropolis. *Secondly*—There should be no panic when the first case of cholera occurs. Let the proper officers of each city and town be ready for any exigency, whether there be one or one thousand cases of the disease; and let every family and every citizen faithfully observe the hygienic advice which the medical authorities of their respective municipalities promulgated. Copies of the instructions and information that have been issued by the Metropolitan Board of Health will be supplied to local sanitary officers upon application to the Corresponding Secretary. Third: As a case of cholera may at any time occur upon railway cars, steamboats, or in hotels and in communities where the traveler will go from districts that are now afflicted with cholera, let the following precautions be invariably observed in such instances:

First—The best medical aid must be immediately called, and good and fearless nurses must give unremitting care to the patient.

Second—Place the patient in a thoroughly ventilated apartment or tent, wrap the limbs and abdomen in a dry, hot blanket, apply bottles of hot water to the feet, and follow the orders of the medical attendant.

Third—Have no fear of personal contagion, but guard against infection that might be caused by the patient's discharges; keep a small quantity of active disinfectants—sulphate of iron, creosote, or coal-tar preparations—in the vessels into which the discharges are voided; empty such discharges into a privy, from which all persons shall be strictly excluded for many days, or bury them in a pit with quicklime and coal-tar, or with copperas powder in abundance; boil all the soiled clothing as soon as removed from the patient, or add them to boiling water; give no food for with such care of the sick the disease will not spread.

Fourth—By universal cleansing and disinfection, do what lies in human power to do to prevent the propagation of cholera in the city or neighborhood.

Railway superintendents, station-masters, hotel-keepers, and all persons who have supervision of places of resort, should immediately order copperas or coal-tar preparations to be continually kept and daily visited in every water-closet and privy that is promiscuously used.

These homely hints and these general answers to all inquiries will serve the purpose for which they are given, if all who read them will instantly institute the preventive measures that are now so generally required. As we are now in correspondence with the best sources of information, we are warranted in stating that there is much reason to believe that the efforts which are now being put forth in Europe and in our Atlantic cities, will result in greatly diminishing the ravages of the present epidemic. No well-directed sanitary labors have ever been in vain.

Respectfully, ELISHA HARRIS, M. D.,
Corresponding Secretary M. B. of Health.

THE OFFICIAL NEW-YORK BULLETIN

for the twenty-four hours ending at 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon, bore the following record:

ALBERT L. WHITE, a native of Maine, aged 22 years, discharged soldier from Hart's Island, was taken with symptoms of cholera on the morning of the 22d. Sent to Bellevue Hospital in the afternoon by the Inspector.

MARY WILSON, aged 64 years, living at No. 84 Clarkson-street, was taken with symptoms of cholera on the morning of the 22d; was visited by an Inspector, and the premises were disinfected. The patient was sent to Bellevue Hospital.

JAMES LLOYD, a native of Ireland, aged 35 years, residing at No. 9 Second-avenue, was taken sick at 1:30, July 23, with cholera. The premises were visited by an Inspector, and thoroughly disinfected.

MARGARET GUBTHRIE, a native of Ireland, 50 years of age, living at No. 30 Pell-street, was taken with diarrhœa on Friday last, seized on Sunday with symptoms of cholera, and was found in partial collapse when visited by an Inspector. The premises were disinfected.

CORNELIUS CARR, aged 21 years, a native of Ireland, living at the intersection of Sixty-first-street and Third-avenue, had diarrhœa since Friday; on Sunday bathed his feet in the river, and was at once seized with symptoms of cholera; was seen in collapse by an Inspector at 10 P. M. and died at 3:30 on Monday morning.

ELIZABETH LYNCH, a native of Ireland, aged 78 years, living at No. 7 Jersey-street, was seized on Sunday with cholera. Visited by an Inspector and the premises disinfected. The patient was sent on Monday morning to Bellevue Hospital.

MARGARET MCGRATH, aged 30 years, living at No. 225 Elizabeth-street, had a diarrhœa since Thursday; was in collapse from cholera when visited by an Inspector at 11:30 A. M. on Monday. The premises were disinfected.

PATRICK DONNELLY, aged 64 years, living at No. 230 Varick-street, was taken ill with vomiting and purging on Monday morning, and was in collapse from cholera when seen by an Inspector. The premises were disinfected.

THE OFFICIAL BROOKLYN BULLETIN,

giving the history of cholera in Brooklyn between noon on Saturday and noon yesterday, was as follows:

JOHN J. DODD, aged 44, No. 2 Red Hook-

ing establishments, two tripe factories, one intestine-scraping factory, two vast swine-slaughtering houses, where 5,000 hogs are killed weekly, and one or two slaughter-houses for cattle. Just west of this microcosm of nastiness is a mephitic blood and offal dock, whose stench is perceptible above all other effluvia that are mingled into one stupendous and indescribable stink, which pervades the neighborhood. The whole reminds the visitor of the wonderful cone of serpents which HUMBOLDT saw in South America—a spectacle of putrescence that might curdle a man's blood in its veins. As though this stench-pen were not enough for the neighborhood, there is a soap and candle factory on the north side of Thirty-ninth-street, a foul-chimneyed varnish factory on Fortieth-street, and extensive gas-works on Forty-second-street. You may smell the accumulated mass of fetid air from this neighborhood far over to Eighth-avenue, and as far down as Thirtieth-street; and in all the region near the great central stink real estate is comparatively worthless. The streets are composed of one-story shanties, whose inhabitants dwell there only because their means will not permit them to go where the rents are as high as $12 a month.

Messrs. H. EBENER, of Nos. 2 and 3 Abattoir-place; SCHWARZCHILD, of No. 5; WEZEHEIMER & Co., of Nos. 7 and 8; GEORGE BELZER, of No. 16, and P. BROWN, of No. 23, drew their fires a week ago in compliance with the order of the Board of Health; but Messrs. WEIL & SON, of the same building, have enjoined the Board, and hope to be able to continue their business. The following-named were stopped yesterday: MICHAEL DONOHUE & Co., of West Thirty-eighth-street, near Twelfth-avenue; FRANK EBNER, of Sixth-street, near Eleventh-avenue; BROWN & BEARD, of Sixtieth-street, North River, and JOHN J. ECKEL, of Forty-fifth-street and First-avenue. The three other fat-melting establishments—namely: LAUTENBACK'S, at One Hundred and Fourth-street, East River; the Butchers' Melting Association, Forty-fifth-street, East River, and the Messrs. HULL, of Elizabeth-street—had complied with the orders of the Board and rendered their places unobjectionable.

Subsequent to the seizure by the Police, MICHAEL DONOHUE, of West Thirty-eighth-street, applied to Judge BRADY for an injunction; but the Judge rejected the application, and Mr. DONOHUE thereupon appealed to Judge MCCUNN. The Judge granted the injunction, and the papers were served upon the Health Commissioners yesterday afternoon.

Juvenile Asylum.

At the monthly meeting of the directors of the Juvenile Asylum, the following statistics for June were reported:

In the House of Reception, June 1		124
Received in June		127
Total		251
Returned to friends	21	
Sent to the Asylum	162	
Sent to House of Refuge	2	
Indentured	9	134
In the House July 1		117
In the Asylum June 1		476
Received from House of Reception		102
Total		578
Returned to friends	64	
Indentured	29	
Died	1	94
Total		484

Twenty-nine children sent to Illinois and indentured. Excellent health continues to prevail in both branches of the institution. This is the first death reported in 2 years, 7 months and 27 days. G. N. was a little boy who had been a long time in the hospital for disease of the spine. He was quite profane and addicted to other habits common to these poor children, when received. For several months previous to his death he gave satisfactory evidence that he had gained a saving knowledge of the truth. He awakened a great deal of interest in the Asylum, and for a long time seemed to be the religious teacher of our large family.

Donations to aid in saving the neglected children of our streets will be thankfully received by A. B. WETMORE, No. 81 Vesey-street, and J. B. COLLINS, No. 40 Wall-street.

POLICE TRIALS.

Before Commissioners Acton, Bergen and Manierre.

Police Trial Chamber—always the best court-room in the City—was on Wednesday last the coolest and most desirable place for lounging that could be found anywhere between the Battery and Harlem, and while the thermometer everywhere outside ranged between ninety and a hundred, the two hundred Policemen, score of spectators, four reporters, and three Police Commissioners were cool as cucumbers under a morning dew. The trials were as varied in character as usual; but the larger number hinged upon arrests of venders of liquors, and as the accused were in nearly every instance able to show that they had acted in obedience to the orders of superior officers, they were almost to a man, acquitted on the spot. The noteworthy trials were the following:

GERMAN BUTCHERS GET INTO DIFFICULTY.

On the 10th instant the German butchers went on a pic-nic excursion to Cope's Park, near Greenwood Cemetery; and according to Capt. WILLIAM H. Brown they consumed two or three kegs of lager-beer; but according to the testimony of one of the company, who insists that lager-beer is not an intoxicating beverage, they disposed of three times three kegs of the harmless exhilarant, and started homeward about 8 o'clock in the evening, quite jolly and self-satisfied. But near Thirty-fifth-street a number of Thirty-four Engine's men entered the car, and soon thereafter a riot occurred, heads, windows and lamps were broken, and blood was shed. The Germans appealed to the Forty-eighth Precinct Police; but they allege that the policemen, on entering the car, clubbed them and suffered the firemen to escape unharmed. For which offence they called to trial Sergts. JOHN MACKELLAR and ROBERT T. MACKELLAR and Patrolmen JOHN NOLAN, the complainants being Messrs. LOUIS LEISER, of No. 147 Myrtle-avenue; MAURICE LOEB, of No. 4 Raymond-street, and GEORGE KINKLE, of No. 19 Myrtle-avenue. The defence was that the officers entered the car while the passengers were fighting, and that they separated the combatants, but did not discriminate, because they did not know which party had made the attack. The defendants were acquitted.

KEEPING OPEN AFTER MIDNIGHT.

On the 12th inst., Mrs. VERONICA BUCK, of No. 250 Eleventh-street, appeared before Chief Clerk HAWLEY, and made the following affidavit: "I keep a lager-beer place; on Friday evening we had a party and some singing; several neighbors with their families were there; everything was pleasant, and two men were indulging in fun, when, after midnight, a policeman entered and arrested the men at the table; two other policemen came in and apprehended other men, and then Officer WILLIAM JUDGE approached my husband, seized my husband by the collar of his coat, clubbed him on the head, and dragged him to the sidewalk; I was putting the glasses out of the way, when some one came to my door and informed me that my husband was dead; I ran out, and found him lying, unconscious, on the sidewalk; several civilians and three policemen were there; I tried to lift my husband, and begged him to speak, but he could not; he was covered with blood; when I stooped to take my husband from the sidewalk, Officer JUDGE struck me twice or thrice with his club, saying, 'Go away! Go away!' he then dragged my husband off to the Union Market police-station, and he was there held until morning, when, at Essex Market Police Court, he was released on $300 bail." The complainant did not appear on Wednesday, and, in compliance with the request of her counsel, the hearing was postponed a fortnight. The officer's defence is that he acted under the orders of the Superintendent of Police, and this showing will probably clear him.

ABOUT A CHATHAM-STREET SIGN.

Mr. HENRY LEIDELL, of No. 61 Eldridge-street, made the following affidavit: "I do business at No. 47 Chatham-street; I was about to put up a sign which I had painted for Mr. ANTENWRITH, at No. 45 Chatham-street; the Israelites who keep the store adjoining objected to my putting up the sign; Policeman JOHN J. MCGILL came up and bade me desist until I could get the Israelites' permission to put up the sign; I told him I didn't think him a police-justice, and should accept no decisions from him; he replied that he would crack my nose if I used any more insulting language, at the same time raising his club; the officer did not permit me to put up the sign." The officer's defence was that Mr. LEIDELL had undertaken to put up the sign so as to cover half of the Israelites' window, and this defence was held to be sufficient.

ARREST OF A MARSHAL.

Mr. CHARLES V. LYONS, of No. 154 Clinton-street, one of the Marshals of the Fifth District Court, having undertaken to execute a warrant in First-avenue, near Fourth-street, was "violently assaulted" by Patrolman GEORGE LITTLE and taken to the Fifth-street Police Station. Mr. LYONS alleges that Officer LITTLE handled him roughly and used profane language while taking him to the Station-house, and that the Sergeant in command reprimanded him for making the arrest. Officer LITTLE informed the Commissioners that an assault had been committed, and that Mr. LYONS was pointed out to him as the offender. He thereupon made the arrest, but did not utter a profane word. Sergt. MCKIBBEN testified that he merely released the prisoner, and did not reprimand the officer, and upon this testimony the complaint was dismissed.

ASSAULT IN A DINING SALOON.

Mr. JOSEPH REGAN, of No. 12 Vandewater-street, was at supper in a dining-saloon at the intersection of Pearl-street and Frankfort-streets, at about midnight on the 29th ultimo, when Patrolman PIERCE BOWE clubbed him on the head. He believes the officer to have been under the influence of liquor at the time of the assault, which he alleges to have been wholly unprovoked. On the officer's side it is alleged that he went to the saloon to take lunch, and was there insulted and assaulted by Mr. REGAN and others; whereupon, he defended himself and took Mr. R. into custody. The hearing was adjourned a fortnight.

RESPONDING TO A CRY FOR AID.

Mr. JOHN G. BECK, of No. 234 East Eleventh-street, who was quietly sitting on his stoop at about 1 o'clock on the morning of the 7th inst., was assaulted by Patrolman CHARLES CALMAN, and arrested "without provocation." He furthermore alleges that the officer used profane language, and behaved generally in an unofficerlike manner. The testimony was that a police alarm had been given; that Officer COALMAN, responding, found a drunken man on Mr. BECK's door-step, and ordered him away. Mr. BECK, who is alleged to have been under the influence of liquor, is also alleged to have abused and assaulted the officer, and hence the arrest. This being the testimony of several officers, the complaint was dismissed.

GIN.

Mrs. MARY PRICE, of No. 360 East Thirty-sixth-street, appeared against Patrolman JAMES MEE, and alleged that he had wantonly assaulted and severely injured her. Mr. AARON BURNETT, one of the tenants of the house wherein all this occurred, testified that Mrs. PRICE, having indulged to excess, had thrust her head from a window and so misbehaved herself as to attract a crowd. The officer was summoned to disperse the multitude, and having ordered Mrs. PRICE to close her lips, and received a grossly abusive reply, he entered her apartments and threatened to lock her up if she persisted in disturbing the peace of the neighborhood. She defied him and threw a bench at his head, saying that she was a "soldier's wife, and would give him all the fight he wanted," and he, as the best means of preserving quiet on his post, took her off to the Thirty-fifth-street Police-station. This complaint also was dismissed.

THRUST FROM THE REVERE.

Mr. JAMES W. POWELL, Jr., of No. 17 Waverly-place, stood on the second landing in the Revere House, at about 7 o'clock on Saturday evening, the 7th inst., when Patrolman PATTERSON JOLLIE violently thrust him down stairs. Patrolman JOLLIE is the special officer employed by Mr. COX, of the Revere House. One of Mr. POWELL'S friends, on taking lodgings at the Revere, had deposited $110 with the cashier, and that person had surrendered the money to the lodger and taken his receipt on his departure in the morning. Subsequently Mr. POWELL called upon the cashier and in his friend's name demanded the $110; but the cashier informed him that the money had been given to the owner. Mr. POWELL then desired to see the receipt; but as that paper was then under lock and key, the cashier bade him call again in the morning. It is alleged that Mr. POWELL now indulged in abusive epithets and created a disturbance in the house, which induced the landlord to call Officer JOLLIE and have the offender put out. Officer exculpated.

ANOTHER LIQUOR CASE.

Mr. JAMES F. MARTIN, of No. 122 Henry-street, liquor dealer, was arrested on Sunday afternoon, the 1st instant, by Officer HIRAM CHANDLER, of the Essex Market Court, and detained in the Essex Market Prison three-quarters of an hour, after which the Justice sitting dismissed the complaint as frivolous. Officer CHANDLER—"We had several prisoners in Court, who had been arrested for breaking in a door; Mr. MARTIN, who had sold them liquor, and feared that the complaint might involve him, sought an interview with the accused, but I could not permit it without authority from Justice SHANDLEY; he became boisterous, and after remonstrating to no purpose I locked him up." Justice SHANDLEY appeared before the Commissioners and defended the officer, saying that he merely did his duty in preserving order in the court-room. Complaint dismissed.

WHAT A DRUNKEN TENANT DID.

Mrs. CATHARINE BROCKWAY, of No. 93 Goerck-street, appeared against Patrolman WILLIAM B. MINTURN, of the Thirteenth Precinct, accusing him of arrest and false imprisonment. It appears that Mrs. BROCKWAY had a disagreeable tenant in the person of an old woman who frequently drank to excess, and that she had ordered her tenant to leave the house. Thereupon the old woman went out and told Officer MINTURN that Mrs. BROCKWAY had knocked her down, broken a broomstick over her head, and otherwise maltreated her. The officer advised her to go to Court in the morning and get a warrant. "But how am I to get back into the house?" inquired the old woman. The officer then went with her to her abode, and Mrs. BROCKWAY, indignant at the charges which had been preferred against her, insulted him, and made such threatening demonstrations as induced him to take her to the Delancy-street Police-station. The Commissioners were unable to see how he could well have done otherwise.

POLICE COURTS.

Jefferson Market—Before Justice Dodge.

BURGLARY IN THE TWENTY-SECND WARD.

On the night of the 10th of March last, the carriage-factory of JOHN D. VOORHIS, corner of Broadway and Fifty-eighth-street, was broken open by burglars, and $206 worth of cloth and carriage trimmings carried off, beside a large quantity of valuable goods mischievously destroyed or defaced. Although search was made for the thieves, nothing could be found which would warrant an arrest until last Saturday, when JAMES WOODS, of No. 227 Tenth-avenue, went to Officer AVERY, of the Twentieth Precinct, and stated that on the night of the burglary he drove ARTHUR SHORT in his hack to Forty-fourth-street, near Eighth-avenue, where SHORT met two men. SHORT got out, and the two men took his place, when SHORT told WOODS to drive up to Fifty-eighth-street, and on reaching that street the two men got out and ordered WOODS to wait for them. They had not been gone very long before they returned, having a large bundle, when they reëntered the hack and directed WOODS to drive to the corner of Thompson and Prince streets, where they got out. The next day SHORT told WOODS of the burglary, and that he had hired two men to do it, and that "he was even with VOORHIS now," paying WOODS $10 for his share of the work. SHORT was arrested yesterday, by Officer AVERY, and he was committed for trial in default of bail.

ASSAULT UPON A STABLE-KEEPER.

On Sunday afternoon JOHN DOWDELL, THOS. JONES, *alias* Bill MCGOWAN, BERNARD QUINN and another man went to the stable No. 187 West Thirty-third-street, kept by JOHN DUGAN, and desired to engage a carriage. As his customers were all intoxicated, Mr. DUGAN declined to allow the carriage go out of his premises. This so enraged the gang of roughs that they made a violent assault upon him. JONES struck him on the head with a slung shot, QUINN aimed a blow at him with the butt end of a pistol, and DOWDELL dealt him a powerful blow with his fist. Officer KELLY, of the Twentieth Precinct, hearing the disturbance, ran up and was about to arrest the gang, when QUINN threatened to shoot him with his pistol. The patrolman was not intimidated, however, and succeeded in securing all of those named, the fourth man running away at the first sign of danger. On being brought before the Court, the prisoners were committed for trial in default of $2,000 bail each. Mr. DUGAN is severely injured.

SHOPLIFTER.

JOHN MARSHALL and a confederate went into the tailoring establishment of GEORGE MCROBY, No. 127 Ninth-avenue, yesterday morning, and desired to make some purchases. They soon after left, when the proprietor discovered that they had carried off eight yards of cloth valued at $50. He at once informed Officer RIELLY, of the Sixteenth, who succeeded in arresting MARSHALL and recovering the stolen cloth. On the person of the prisoner was found fourteen pawn-tickets for a variety of articles which it is supposed he had stolen. The prisoner was committed for trial in default of $1,000 bail.

Essex Market—Before Justice Shandley.

PICKPOCKET.

SALVATORE ONOROZIO, of No. 78½ Oliver-street, while riding in a Third-avenue car in the Bowery, on Sunday evening, had his pocket-book, containing $17, taken from his pocket by THOMAS PEARSALL, who pushed him gently on the breast with one hand while with the other he committed the theft. Mr. ONOROZIO caught the thief after a sharp chase, and handed him over to Officer KING, of the Tenth Precinct. The accused was held for examination.

The Tombs—Before Justice Hogan.

THEFT OF CLOTHING.

Yesterday morning Officer WALSH, of the Fifth Precinct, arrested CHARLES BUSSELL on a charge of having stolen $55 worth of clothing from MOSE FENELE, of No. 9 Worth-street. When arrested a pair of shoes, which were identified by the complainant as his property, were found in BUSSELL'S possession. He was accordingly committed for trial in default of bail. BUSSELL is 21 years of age, a seaman, and resides at No. 159 Second-street.

THEFT OF RAILROAD TICKETS.

DAVID BROOKS was arrested yesterday by Detective MCCLOUD, of the Twenty-seventh Precinct, on a charge of having, on the 25th of last May, stolen twenty-seven tickets belonging to the New-Jersey Central Railroad, and valued at $267 57. When brought into Court, HIRAM P. BALDWIN, of No. 103 Liberty-street, employe of the Company, preferred the charge against the prisoner. Officer KENNALLY testified that he had searched the room occupied by the accused at the Ninth Avenue Hotel, and that he found in the fire-place a portion of the tickets stolen from the Company. It appeared that nearly $1,200 worth of tickets had been stolen. The recovery was the result of the robbery temporarily in the employ of the Company as a painter. He was committed for trial. BROOKS is 25 years of age.

LAW REPORTS.

UNITED STATES SUPREME COURT.

Municipal Corporations—State Legislation may Enable them to Assist in the Construction of Railroads as Improved Highways, Necessary to their Growth and Prosperity—Unrestricted Authority to such a Corporation "to Borrow Money for any Public Purpose is Sufficient Authorization for such Aid to Railways—Bonds Issued under that Authority, whether Sold by the Corporation or the Company, are Contracts of Borrowing Money within the Charter of the Corporation—Demurrer.

Evans Rogers, Plaintiff in Error, vs. *The City of Burlington.*—The facts involved in this case are stated in the following opinion of the Court, delivered by Mr. Justice CLIFFORD:

Corporation defendants were authorized by their charter to borrow money for any public purpose whenever, in the opinion of the City Council, it should be deemed expedient to exercise that power. Material conditions annexed to that power, as conferred, were, that the question of borrowing, when proposed, should be previously submitted to the citizens of the city, and that the loan should not be made unless two-thirds of all the votes polled at such election should be given in the affirmative.

Pursuant to that authority the defendants voted to issue and lend to the Burlington and Missouri Railroad Company $75,000 in the bonds of the city, payable in twenty years, with an interest of ten per centum per annum, and to be secured by the first mortgage bonds of the Company on the second section of the road. Directions to the Mayor of the city, as expressed in the ordinance, were that he should issue the bonds, and execute with the Company a contract of loan thereof, taking therefor the obligation of the Company and the stipulated mortgage as collateral security for the bonds. Ordinance under which the bonds were issued were passed on the 23d day of June, 1865, and the same is fully set forth in the record.

The action was assumpsit, and the declaration was founded upon certain interest coupons annexed to the bonds, which had become due and payable prior to the commencement of the suit. Declaration contained twenty counts, and the defendants demurred specially to the entire series. Principal causes shown for the demurrer were:

1. That the declaration did not cover nor show that the City had any power or authority to issue the bonds therein described.

2. That the bonds on their face showed that they were not issued for any municipal purpose, but as a loan from the city to the before mentioned railroad.

3. That there is no law of the State authorizing the city to issue such bonds, or to loan her credit to any railroad.

Parties were fully heard in the Court below, and the Court sustained the demurrer and rendered judgment for the defendants.

I. Plaintiff excepted to both these rulings, and a bill of exceptions to that effect, in due form, is exhibited in the record; but it is unnecessary further to advert to it, as it is well settled that the ruling of the Circuit Court in sustaining or overruling a demurrer to a declaration and rendering judgment for the wrong party, may be re-examined in this Court by a writ of error, without any formal bill of exceptions. (Gorman *et al. vs.* Lenox, 15 Pet., 115; Suyam *vs.* Williamson, 20 How, 436.)

Reason for the rule is, that the error is apparent on the record; and it is generally true that where the error is apparent on the face of the record, a bill of exceptions is unnecessary. (Bennett *vs.* Butterworth, 11 How, 669; Slocum *vs.* Pomeroy, 6 Cranch, 221; Garland *vs.* Davis, 4 How, 131; Cohens *vs.* Virginia, 6 Wheat, 410.)

II. Substance of the defence in this case upon the merits, as presented in argument, may be stated in three propositions:

1. That the defendants, under their charter, had no lawful authority to issue the bonds described in the declaration, and that inasmuch as the bonds were issued without authority, they were null and void, and consequently the plaintiff cannot, in any point of view, maintain the suit.

2. That municipal corporations are limited as to their powers by the objects to be accomplished by their creation, and to the sphere of action prescribed in their charters; and that the Corporation defendants, under a fair application of those rules, could not borrow money or issue their bonds for the object specified in the ordinance, because such an object was not a public purpose within the meaning of their charter.

3. That the defendants, even if they have authority to borrow money for objects other than those pertaining to the good order and proper government of the City, could not issue the bonds in this case, because the contract under which the bonds were issued was a contract of lending, and not of borrowing, and that the power given to the defendants to borrow money did not authorize them to lend either their money or their credit.

Reasonable doubt cannot be entertained that the terms of the charter, if valid, are sufficiently comprehensive to confer upon the defendants the power to borrow money for such a public purpose as that described in the ordinance under which the bonds were issued, unless it be shown that these terms have in some way been shorn of their usual and ordinary signification. Charter of the defendants was granted on the 10th day of June, 1865, by the Territorial legislature, acting under its organic act, (5 Stat. at Large, 235,) subject to certain exceptions, not material to be noticed. The sixth section of the act provided that the legislative power of the Territory should extend to all rightful subjects of legislation; and there can be no question that the Territorial Legislature, acting under the general delegation of legislative power, had the authority to incorporate the defendants, and confer upon them, as such corporation, the functions specified in their charter. (Vincennes University *vs.* Indiana, 14 How., 273.)

Citation of authorities in support of the proposition seems to be unnecessary, as it is denied, and, therefore, it may be assumed, in the further consideration of the case, that the corporate powers vested in the defendants, as expressed in their charter, were legitimately conferred. Power to borrow money for a public purpose, within the meaning of the provision, is conferred by the charter in express terms, and there is nothing in the Constitution of the State which limits the authority so conferred, or renders it invalid. On the contrary, the Constitution of the State, as originally adopted, provided that all laws in force in the Territory, which were not repugnant to the Constitution, should remain in force until they expired by their own limitation, or should be repealed by the general assembly of the State. (Code 1851, 557.)

When the new Constitution was adopted it contained no such provision, but the omission was shortly afterward substantially supplied by a general law reënacting and reviving all acts in force at the time it went into effect, except such as had been repealed by the General Assembly, or were repugnant to its provisions. (Code 1851, p. 6.)

Validity of the Charter, therefore, is established beyond the possibility of a doubt, unless it be assumed that the particular provision authorizing the defendants to borrow money for a public purpose exceeds the constitutional authority of the Legislature. In considering this question it will not be necessary again to refer to the charter, which, as we have seen, was granted by the Territorial Legislature, because it has already been shown that it has the same validity that it would have had if it had been reënacted by the Legislature of the State.

Municipal corporations are created by the Legislature, and they derive all their powers from the source of their creation; and those powers are at all times subject to the control of the Legislature. Such powers, also, in the absence of any constitutional prohibition forbidding it, may be enlarged or diminished, extended or curtailed, or withdrawn altogether, as the Legislature shall determine. Construction and repair of highways or streets for public travel within its limits are among the usual purposes of their creation, and the expense of accomplishing those objects are among their usual and ordinary burdens. Railways, also, as a matter of usage, founded on experience, are so far considered by the courts as in the nature of improved highways, and as indispensible to the public interest and the successful pursuit even of local business, that a State Legislature may authorize the towns and counties of the State, through which a railway passes, to borrow money, issue their bonds, subscribe for the stock of the company, or purchase the same with a view of aiding those engaged in constructing or completing such a public improvement; and that a legislative act conferring such authority is not in contravention of any implied limitation of the power of the Legislature. Decisions to that effect have very much increased, both in the State and Federal Courts, until it may be said that the rule here laid down pervades the jurisprudence of the United States.

Exceptional opinions, advancing the opposite doctrine, may be found, but they cannot be regarded as sound, in view of the fact that the weight of authority is very greatly the other way.

Printed argument of the plaintiff shows that the Supreme Court of the State, for a series of years, held the same views, as appears from some seven or eight of their reported decisions; and it is proper to remark that the reasons given for the conclusions in those several cases are much more satisfactory than those assigned in the more recent decisions which adopt the opposite rule.

Repeated determinations of this Court, embracing a period of ten years, have expressed the concurrence of the Court in the general current of the decisions upon the subject in the State Courts, and it is vain for parties to expect that the Court, in the face of those recorded judgments, can come to any different conclusion. Recent as many of these decisions are, it seems unnecessary to encumber the opinion with the names of the cases, or to reproduce the reasons assigned as the basis of the respective judgments. Irrespective of the State decisions, it is quite obvious that the decisions of this Court control the question under consideration, and, consequently, that no further remark upon the proposition is necessary, except to say that the decision in City of Clinton Co. *vs.* Bungus, (Wall, 202,) although the opinion of the Court contains a reference to other statutes, was chiefly founded upon a construction of the provision in the charter of that city expressed in the same words as the provision contained in the charter of the defendants. Decision, also, in Meyer *vs.* City of Muscatine, (Wall, 385,) is to the same effect. Unless, therefore, it be assumed that no prior decision of this Court can furnish the rule in a subsequent controversy, it would seem that the present case is controlled by these decisions.

2. Second proposition submitted is, that the defendants could not borrow money or purchase bonds in aid of the improvement specified in the ordinance, because such a work is not within the usual and ordinary objects to be accomplished by a municipal corporation, and consequently was not a public purpose within the meaning of that phrase as employed in the charter of the City. They do not controvert the fact that the construction of a railroad is a public improvement, but what they insist is, that the phrase public purpose as employed in the charter must be limited in this signification to such public purposes as fall within the usual and ordinary sphere of municipal corporations.

Undoubtedly there is much force in the suggestion, and it would seem that as applied to many improvements of great public utility, the proposition may well be conceded, none of the decided cases which maintain the power of the State Legislatures to authorize municipal aid in the construction of railroads decide or even intimate that the power may be exercised without limit, or be extended to a public enterprize entirely foreign to the general objects which the corporation was created to subserve. Those adjudications are also obnoxious to any such charge, but the theory maintained is, that a railroad is nothing more than an improved highway, and that it is as competent for the Legislature to authorize a municipal corporation to furnish material in the construction of a railroad connected with the same, as to construct a highway. Regarded in that point of view they are not what the law affects, and experience shows that the railroads as well as the highway, is promotive of the highest and best interest of the corporation. (Redf. on Railw. 543; Rome *vs.* Rome, 18 N. Y., 38; H. Pettyman *vs.* Tazewell Co., 19 Ill. R. 406; Bushnell *vs.* Beloit, 10 Wis. 195; Renboth *vs.* Pittsburgh, 41 Penn. St. 278.)

3. The third proposition is in substance and effect that the defendants, even if they could borrow money for the object described in the ordinance, could not lawfully issue the bonds in the case, because the contract under which they were issued was a contract of lending and not of borrowing, within the meaning of the charter. Evidently the proposition admits that the defendants might borrow money in aid of the improvement described in the ordinance, but the argument is that in issuing the bonds and delivering them to the Company they did not exercise the power in the manner which the charter authorized. Where a municipal corporation was authorized to subscribe to the stock of a railroad company, and to borrow money to pay for the stock subscribed, the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania held, in Middleton *vs.* Alleghany Co., 37 Penn., St. R. 241, that the issuing of bonds in payment of such subscription was borrowing money for that purpose, within the meaning of the provision conferring the power, especially as it appeared that the bonds had been received in payment of the subscription. Same court also held in the case of Reinboth *vs.* Pittsburgh, 41 Penn., St. V. R. 278, that, where an act of the Legislature authorized a municipal Corporation to subscribe for stock in a railway as fully as an individual, that the provision gave authority to the Corporation to issue their negotiable bonds in payment of the stock, and this Court, upon a reëxamination of the case, came to the same conclusion. Seybert *vs.* Pittsburgh. (Wall 272).

Common experience shows that the issuing of bonds by a municipal corporation as material aid in the construction of a railroad, is merely a customary and convenient mode of borrowing money to accomplish the object, and it cannot make any difference so far as respects the present question whether the bonds as issued by the defendant were sold in the market by their officers, or were first delivered to the Company and were sold by their agents for the same purpose. Money was what the Company wanted, to be expended in the construction of the railroad, and the bonds were issued by the defendants to enable them to accomplish that purpose. Technically speaking, it may be said that the transaction, as between the Company and the defendants was, in form, a contract of lending, but between the defendants and the persons who purchased the bonds in the market, it was undeniably a contract of borrowing money; and the same remark applies to the transaction in its practical and legal effect upon all subsequent holders of the securities who have since become such for value, and in the usual course of business.

3. Viewed in that light it was unmistakably a contract of borrowing money in the open market, and the rule that a corporation quite as much as an individual is held to fair dealing with other parties, applies with all its force, and we repeat that corporations cannot by their acts, representations or silence, involve others in onerous engagements, and be permitted to defeat the calculations and claims which their own conduct has superinduced. (Bissell *vs.* Jeffersonville, 24 How. 300.)

Perfect acquiscence in the action by the officers of the City seems to have been manifested by the defendants until the demand was made for the payment of the interest. They never attempted to enjoin the proceeding, but suffered the bonds to be issued and delivered to the Company, and when that was done it was too late to object that the power conferred in the charter had not been properly executed. (Knox County *vs.* Aspinwall, 21 How. 544.) Precisely the same objection was made in the case of Meyer *vs.* The City of Muscatine, (1 Wall, 392,) but the objection was overruled by this Court upon the ground that the object of the issuing of the bonds was as effectually accomplished by their delivery to the company as they would have been if the defendants themselves had sold them in the market, and that the obligors were not injured by the transaction.

Judgment of the Circuit Court is reversed, with costs, and the cause remanded for further proceedings in conformity to the opinion of the Court.

Mr. Justice Field dissented. Writing and opinion concurred in by the Chief Justice and Justices Grier and Miller, which will appear hereafter.

The Great Counterfeiting Case.

UNITED STATES COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE.
Before Commissioner Osborn.

The examination in the case of Henry Holmes, *alias* Hall, charged with conspiring with others to defraud the United States Government, by issuing counterfeits made by plates procured from the Treasury Department, was continued yesterday.

Eli Langton testified as follows: I reside in Hartford, Conn.; in 1864-65 my occupation was printing; in 1864 I was employed in the Treasury Department, Washington, in the plate printing department, $20 plates and fractional currency; I know the defendant Hall; I first knew him as "Hank;" I was introduced to him by that name by Mr. Chequin about midsummer, 1864; I was introduced to him at the Jersey Ferry, on the New-York side; I had some conversation with him about taking impressions in lead; he said there were parties cheating Government, and there was no reason why we should not have some of the benefit as well as others; that there could be a good thing made out of it, and that if I would assist in making these transfers or impressions, I could be made well off; he gave me a vest and overcoat at that time; the conversation was mainly about taking impressions; there was one plate I think in Mr. Hevy's hands which he thought I had better take on to Washington, and I might do something with it; we crossed the river to Jersey City, and I went to his house and took tea, and think I got the plate or lead plate there, and took it; (plate shown the witness); I think this is the plate; the lead was first put in my hands at Jersey City; I know from statements made by the prisoner that the leads were to come from Chicke; I got the lead from him; after I left him I got the lead I went to Washington; the lead lay in my trunk for a few days, when it was taken to the Treasury Department and put under a "jigger," (a box for holding various things;) it remained there a day or two; one morning I went to the shop bright and early, locked over my papers, got the original plate, put this lead on it, rolled it through the press, took the lead and put it back in the "jigger" till evening; I went there about 6:30 A. M.; that was earlier than I went as a general thing; my object in going there was to prepare my paper and take this impression; that night I carried it home rolled up in paper; I carried it in my breast; I put it in my trunk and let it remain there until my son came on, when I gave it to him; I don't know what then became of it except from hearsay; I know my son took more impressions on lead from the $50 plate; he was employed in the Treasury Department at the time; his name was Edwin S. Langton; I never saw him with the $100 note in his possession; at the time of the Presidential election I went home, and my son was talking of going home; he hadn't money to come on, and wanted me to see Chick and have some money sent on to him; I got the money through Chicke; I went to him and told him I wanted some money; I had to see Chick in order to see Hank; I mean Hall; a place was appointed where I met Hall and Chick; I told him that I had taken a $20 impression and wanted money, and that my son wanted some money to come on and see about other impressions; they took me to a saloon, Hall paying; Hall gave me about $50 for my labor and trouble in getting the impression, and $25 for my son to come on, I suppose because he wanted it; we had some oysters and a glass of beer there, for which Hall paid; I went off with Chick; I don't know where Hall went; the next I saw of Hall was in the Treasury Department in Washington, not a great while after this interview; Hall came there to see my son; he told me so; my son was not there then; he sent up for Mr. Langton and I went down; Mr. Hall told me to tell Edwin to meet him at such a time; I told him.

Cross-examined—I reside in Hartford, Conn.; in 1863 I lived in New-York; I was working with the National Bank-note Company; I was working printing the Government issues then; I left there in the Spring of 1863; I then took my family back to Hartford; I worked at my trade there for many years; I went to Washington to work because I had no other work; the superintendent offered me the position to which I consented; that was late in 1863 or early in 1864; I can't tell the month; my first address was to the Superintendent; I went to work three or four days after I got there; I had to prepare my paper first; I believe the Government furnished the papers; at that time there were only the numbers on the notes in the work and numbers on the plate; after the plates were first given out they were placed in that rack; any one in that room could take out the plates at that time; they were not shut up; there were about sixty presses in that room; while I was absent at home sick a change was made; when I commenced operating the new twenties; after the change I have mentioned there was a room set aside, with a man in charge of them, whose duty it was to give them out and see that they were returned at night; I never was in that room; I got the plate from the man in charge; it was not usual for me to be at work early; when I entered the Treasury Department I had no more idea of taking impressions for counterfeiting than I now have of jumping out of a window; I had seen Chick with my son before I went home sick; I went home sick; I went home in September, 1864; I saw Chicke and my son at a boarding-house in Crosby street; I met Chick accidentally; Chick helped me down with my trunk to the ferry; I took it into the bar-room of the house where I was staying (a German house); we went to the ferry, and there I met Hank; it was in the baggage room; I had never seen Hank before that; I can't state how the conversation commenced; Hank said to me there is a chance to make money, and I went to Hank's room; Hank was a good chance in Washington to get transfers and assist me in getting them; I will make you well off, and then I shall advise you to go out of the country; I think I shall myself; he had a vest and an overcoat he would give me; the overcoat he wasn't quite enough with them; I said no; it was a pretty tickish business; my son was not there; I saw my son again before I went to Washington; after I had taken my trunk down to the ferry, I saw Hank Hall; Chick gave me a piece of lead rolled up in a piece of paper; I put it under my bosom, and afterward put it in a satchel; this is a matter of reason and not of speculation; while in Washington I stopped at Mrs. Bryant's, on Pennsylvania-avenue, on the upper side; I kept the plate there; I took it to the department for two days; I took it there for the purpose of having a copy made; I did not consider the making of the plate a forgery; I did not know for what purpose it was to be used; after the impression of the plate had been made, I saw Hank Hall in New-York a day or two before the Presidential election, about the 1st of November; when I came back to New-York I stopped at Chick's house, and I made that my headquarters; then I went to the "Old House at Home," just this side of the Tombs; I stopped there quite some time; I had no particular object in going there; I took nothing to drink there at that time, nor had I drank previously; after this I went to Hartford, Conn.; I did not see Hank Hall there; I saw a man by the name of Dray at Hartford; I made a statement to Dray at that time; I have had a statement made to me that if I came forward and made a truthful statement of my transaction in the matter I should be protected: the statement I made to Dray was false, so far as it applied to my making any impressions of the plates; I told Wood I had made impressions of these plates; I told him the whole story; he told me he wanted to get sure hold of these counterfeits, and I made the statement I did under the supposition I was to be paid for it; when I made the statement to Lowell I did so without any promise of either protection or money. Lowell arrested me and I then made the statement to him without any promise of protection; I did not suppose that that statement would send me to State Prison; I did not confess to him I had made these counterfeits; I did not know, when I came on the stand here, that it was necessary for me to say what I have said; I came here to tell you and the court the whole truth in the matter. My son is dead; he died December 18, 1864.

Sophia Heaney testified as follows: I live in Thirteenth-street in this city; I know the prisoner; have known him about a year and a half; I first saw him in Essex-street Police Court; I had been there to see Edwin Langton; Langton was there under arrest; I saw Hall after that at No. 16 Houston-street; that is a drinking saloon in East Houston-street; no one was there but ourselves; I asked to see Bill Gurney; I saw him once afterward at the corner of Walker and Broadway; he was with Edwin Langton and Chick Treat; Langton had plates in his possession; a $100 bank and two $20. (Plates shown witness.) I saw these three in Jersey City, at my house, in Edwin Langton's possession; he brought them to New-York and gave them to Chick; before they were taken over they were wrapped up in a paper; Chick took the plates up to the corner of Walker and Broadway, and there Langton gave them to Hall; I saw Hall about two months before this in Essex Market; I told Hall that Edwin Langton said if he didn't get him out he would tell all he knew; Langton was then in prison; Hall said he would be out in a few minutes; he said at first it had cost him ten hundred dollars, afterward he came down to six hundred; Chick said I were both there at that time; I have known Gurney for a year last Winter; I first saw him in Houston-street.

Ex-Judge Stuart objected to the witness giving any testimony in relation to what Gurney said about Holmes.

The Commissioner decided not to admit any testimony of that nature.

Cross-examined—I have lived sometimes in Brooklyn and sometimes in New-York in Thirteenth-street, Eighteenth-street, Elizabeth-street, and Crosby-street; I decline answering whether I live with Treat now; I never lived with any other man or in a house of prostitution; I have no children; I decline to answer what business I followed the last ten years; I lived

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NEWS OF THE DAY.

EUROPE.

By a very quick trip of the favorite steamer *Scotia* we have news from Liverpool to the evening of the 14th. The war news is meagre, and reports about armistice and intercession are quite contradictory and unreliable. The latest dispatches from Vienna seem to show that all hope of armistice has been given up there. The Prussians are marching steadily, rapidly and unopposed toward Vienna, and a Berlin dispatch of the 13th says their vanguard had entered Znaim, a town in Moravia only about fifty miles northwest of Vienna. The Austrians are rapidly recruiting their shattered army, and retiring in a line east of the Prussian advance by way of Olmutz and further toward the Hungarian border. There had been but one engagement, and that was at Kissengen, where a Bavarian force made a gallant but unsuccessful defence against an advancing Prussian corps under MANTEUFFEL. The Austrian spirit is represented to be firm, and their determination something of "the last ditch" order. Important movements had been made in Italy; CIALDINI had pushed toward Venice as far as Padua without fighting. Some of the Italian flying squadrons in the Tyrol, are said to have won a victory over a small Austrian force. The smaller German States are developing their sympathy with the strongest side and sending their contingents to the Prussian army. There is no political news aside from the war. The new English Ministers have been speaking to their home-constituents, but their remarks have only local importance. The failure of the Birmingham Banking Company makes a stir in financial circles. The Atlantic Cable Expedition was in progress, and 735 miles had been successfully laid up to latest accounts.

CONGRESS.

In the Senate yesterday the House amendments to the bill to define the number and regulate the appointment of officers of the navy was concurred in, and now goes to the President. Mr. WILSON called up a resolution, which was passed, directing the payment to soldiers and sailors held as prisoners of war during the late rebellion the commutation price of the rations accruing to them. Mr. CHANDLER offered a resolution instructing the Committee on Foreign Relations to inquire into the expediency of repealing the neutrality laws between this country and Great Britain. Mr. COWAN objected and the bill went over. A bill was introduced to readjust the salaries in the Post-office Department. The Senate voted yeas 17, nays 14, to postpone to the next session the consideration of the Bankrupt Bill. The Civil Appropriation Bill being taken up, the amendment directing the Secretary of War to pay out of the commutation draft fund, for every slave belonging to loyal men enlisted, not to exceed $300 each, was adopted. An amendment increasing the pay of clerks in the State Department twenty per cent. was adopted. An amendment abolishing the mission to Greece was adopted.

In the House Mr. BINGHAM introduced a bill to provide increased revenue from imported wool. It consists of the wool sections of the Revised Tariff Bill, passed by the House and postponed by the Senate, except that the *ad valorem* duty is increased from 10 to 11, and on woolen manufactured goods the specific duty is reduced from 50 to 40 cents per pound. Mr. CLARKE, of Ohio, offered a resolution requesting the President to urge on the Canadian British Government the release of the Fenian prisoners recently captured in Canada, which was adopted by a vote of 102 yeas to 2 nays. Mr. SCHENCK offered a resolution, which was adopted, calling on the President for information as to whether an application has been made for the pardon of the rebel Major Gen. PICKETT; and whether any further measures have been taken to bring PICKETT or others to punishment for the hanging of United States soldiers for alleged desertion from the rebel army. Mr. SPAULDING offered a resolution requesting the President to cause the prosecution instituted in the United States Courts against the Fenians to be discontinued, if compatible with the public interest. Adopted. Mr. ASHLEY, of Ohio, offered a resolution for the appointment of a select committee of seven, to which all bills and joint resolutions shall be referred proposing an amendment of the Constitution rendering any person who has been elected President ineligible to a second term; as also all bills and joint resolutions proposing a change in the manner of electing President and Vice-President. On motion of Mr. LE BLOND the resolution was laid on the table by a vote of 71 to 42. The Senate amendments to the House Bill, granting the right of way to ditch and canal owners over the public lands in the States of California, Oregon, and Nevada, were concurred in. The Senate amendments to the House Resolution admitting Tennessee, were concurred in. The joint resolution has, therefore, passed both Houses, and now goes to the President.

GENERAL NEWS.

A dispatch from St. Johns, N. F., reports the weather very favorable for the Atlantic Cable enterprise. Her Majesty's ships *Niger* and *Lillie* left for Heart's Content on Friday. They are appointed to await the *Great Eastern* off Trinity Bay. The steamer *M. Stevenson* also left to put down four buoys off Heart's Content. The cable which connected Nova Scotia and Newfoundland (between Aspe Bay and Cape Ray) having been broken, there is, at present, no communication across the Bay of St. Lawrence—about 80 miles—except by a sailing yacht. Arrangements have been made by the New-York and Newfoundland Telegraph Company to lay a new cable, to be in operation within the ensuing four weeks; and until then the company will, in the event of the success of the Atlantic Cable, run one or more dispatch steamers daily. If the *Great Eastern* started with the cable on the 12th inst., she will be due at Heart's Content, N. F., on or about Friday next.

A dispatch from New-Orleans reports a collision at Southwest Pass between the steam-tug *Lone Star*, of the New-York Mail Steamship Line, and the steamer *Hesse*, of the Texas Line. The former was sunk; valued at $80,000.

The Chicago *Evening Journal*, of the 21st, says: "Three of the editors and one of the financial managers of the Chicago *Tribune* have, in conjunction with J. W. DUNN, Esq., the wealthy banker of Springfield, Ill., bought up the stock of the Chicago *Republican*. They have all seceded from the *Tribune*, and will take possession of the *Republican* on the 1st of September. VAN BUREN DENSLOW, who has for the past two years been the principal editorial writer in the *Tribune*, is to be the managing editor of the *Republican*."

WALTER BROWN, of Portland, Maine, the champion sculler of New-England, arrived in Worcester, Mass., on Thursday, with his wherry, intending to take part in the coming regatta. Mr. BROWN took the second prize at Worcester, at the city regatta in 1864, and he also won the first prize at the 4th of July regatta in Boston this year. His boat is 28½ feet long, 14 inches wide, weighs 33 pounds, and was made by himself.

The steamship *Ephesus*, Capt. COLLINS, from Norfolk, Va., on the 1st instant, with a cargo of tobacco, cotton, rosin, &c., for Liverpool, was stranded on Sable Island, on the 6th instant. The crew, forty in number, arrived at Halifax on the 22d instant, on the Government schooner *David*. Part of the cargo was saved, but the latest accounts represent the steamer as breaking up.

The revised lists for the third and fourth installments of prize money, accruing for the capture of the Red River cotton by the expedition in 1863, have been returned to the Fourth Auditor by the Second Comptroller, and the money is now ready for distribution. The amount is about $200,000, which is participated in by the whole of PORTER'S fleet, thirty-two vessels.

VICTORIA KAMAMALU, sister of the late and of the present King of Hawaii, and by the will of KAMEHAMEHA III, heir apparent to the throne, died May 29, in the twenty-eighth year of her age. She was very friendly to the Americans.

The Boston *Post* states that a case of embezzlement by a young man respectably connected in Boston and doing business in a Southern city, has recently come to light. No particulars are given.

Recent arrivals report very severe weather on the Atlantic, rendering it doubtful if the little boat *Yankee Doodle* has been able to weather the storms which she must have encountered.

The certificate of incorporation of the *Enquirer* Company of Cincinnati, with a capital stock of $250,000, was filed at the office of the Secretary of State on the 17th inst.

Major-Gen. SICKLES has issued an order establishing strict quarantine regulations on the coast of North and South Carolina.

A number of vessels engaged in smuggling have recently been seized on the coast of North Carolina.

There were 716 deaths in Philadelphia last week—417 being children under 10 years of age. In Boston there were 129 deaths last week.

A special dispatch states that the President has re-commissioned JOHN G. PALFREY Postmaster at Boston.

The whole amount of money subscribed in Boston for the Portland sufferers up to Saturday night was $122,243 60.

LOCAL NEWS.

The estimates of the expenditures of the Metropolitan Board of Health for ten months, to Jan. 1, 1867, have been made, and are to be submitted to the Mayors and Comptrollers of New-York and Brooklyn on Friday afternoon next. The salaries, printing, contingencies and other ordinary expenses are set down at $60,847 06. The extraordinary expenses, including Seguine's Point and the Battery and Five Points barracks, are estimated at $33,392 41. Total, $116,725 47. This is far less than the ordinary cost of the old City Inspector's Office.

Dr. ELISHA HARRIS, Registrar-General of the Metropolitan Board of Health, has addressed another letter to Mr. SCHULTZ, President of the Board, reciting anxious inquiries as to what the Board is doing to prevent cholera becoming such an epidemic as shall spread throughout the country, which are addressed to him from various cities and towns in the country. He urges immediate and effective action on the part of the Board to save the inhabitants of the Metropolitan Health District and through them, the people in other parts of the country.

An explosion occurred yesterday morning at the sugar refinery of Messrs. HARRIS & DATTON, Nos. 22, 24, 26, 28 and 30 Leonard-street, caused by the bursting of a flue in the boiler, which was situated at one end of the building in the basement, and extended through till within three feet of the rear of the tenement-house, No. 13 Worth-street. The force of the explosion demolished a portion of the brick wall which inclosed it, when hot steam rushed out and filled the lower rooms of the tenement-house, severely scalding several persons, two of them fatally.

The Sanitary Police, yesterday morning, took possession of all those fat-melting establishments which had not been rendered unobjectionable, save one which had obtained an injunction from Judge BRADY. Subsequent to the seizure another proprietor of a fat-melting house applied to Judge BRADY for an injunction, but did not get it. He then applied to Judge MCCUNN, and was accommodated, and the Health Commissioners were duly enjoined yesterday afternoon.

The Brooklyn Board of Health Commissioners contrived yesterday to effect a compromise through which they escaped an injunction forbidding them to take other cholera patients into the cholera hospital which they have established in the hideously nasty Twelfth Ward of that city. It is probable that the Board will retain and make good use of the hospital until better accommodations can be provided.

A brutal and unprovoked assault was committed on Sunday upon JOHN DUGAN, who keeps a stable at No. 137 West Thirty-third-street, by JOHN DOWDELL, THOS. JONES and BERNARD QUINN, because he would not allow them to have a carriage. After beating him severely with their fists, pistols and slungshots, they were arrested and yesterday committed for trial.

A resolution was adopted by the Board of Aldermen, yesterday, directing the Street Commissioner to remove the Battery Barracks and restore the land to the City. The Board also adopted a resolution to purchase a patent gas-burner for the public lamps (about 25,000) at one dollar per burner.

The cholera reports show that the epidemic is rather on the increase than otherwise. Eight cases occurred in New-York for the twenty-four hours ending yesterday at noon, and twenty cases in Brooklyn in the forty-eight hours ending at noon yesterday.

The fund collected by the various Committees in New-York for the relief of the Portland sufferers now amounts to $84,087 35, and the total amount collected from all sources is $132,815.

The total number of deaths in this City for the week ending Saturday, July 21, was over 1,300. There were 184 deaths from sun-stroke and 50 from other effects of heat.

Gold was about the same yesterday afternoon, 150¼@¼, as on Saturday at the close of business. Government Stocks were quiet and a fraction lower for the 7.30s. The Railway speculation dull in the forenoon, and prices ¼@1 ₱ cent. lower on the disposition to put out *Bear* contracts later in the day.

Moderate sales of the leading kinds of Produce and Merchandise were reported yesterday, at irregular prices. Flour, Oats, Pork and Tallow were cheaper. Corn, Sugars and Coffee were firmer. Whisky was quite nominal. The Freight market was somewhat brisker.

Transactions at the live stock markets, yesterday, were lively. On Forty-fourth-street, the principal cattle market of the City, there was a good supply of excellent Western beef cattle, and scarcely a poor one to be found in all the droves. We have not seen so good a lot since last year. They consisted, for the most part, of grade Durhams, grade Devons, with a few showing a liberal infusion of Hereford blood. There was a small number of the black, hornless Galloways, all of which were beautiful animals. Sales were moderately quick; and the best judges thought that beef was fully 50c. ₱ 100 lbs. higher than the same quality sold for last week. A few of the best bullocks sold for 18c. ₱ lb., net weight. We heard of none that were sold for less than 15c. ₱ lb. Beef is high again, and in active demand. The trade in milch cows, veals and sheep continues to be moderate, yet prices favor buyers more than sellers. The receipts of hogs were light yesterday, there being only ten car-loads in market, and all sold before night at 11c.@11¾c., live weight, with an increasing demand for larger receipts, at these figures.

THE ATLANTIC TELEGRAPH.—The wonderful passage of the *Scotia* gives us European news to the 15th. On the 13th, the *Great Eastern*, with her precious freight, started on her western voyage. Any hour, therefore, may bring us the news of her arrival at Heart's Content Bay. If no accident has happened to the expedition, it ought, at least, to be heard from to-day or to-morrow. The advance convoy vessels are now fully due, and the big ship herself, at the rate of six knots an hour, should be close on the Newfoundland coast. But accidents may delay the expedition for several days, even if they should prove not to be of a character fatal to the enterprise.

The Case of Tennessee---Its Bearings and Results.

There are proverbs which teach us to accept good things for what they are worth, instead of scrutinizing too closely the motives in which they originate and the drawbacks by which they are attended. On this ground perhaps we ought to be thankful for the action of Congress in the case of Tennessee, without grumbling because of its tardiness, or demurring because it finally comes in a shape other than that which we would have dictated. The members of the Gadgrind family may insist that there is no necessity for traveling beyond the fact—the fact that in the closing hours of the session Senators and Representatives are admitted, whose constitutional right to admission was as valid seven months ago as it is to-day. The charitably disposed may further suggest that on the principle affirmed in the Good Book, we are bound to accord full credit to the eleventh hour repentance of the sinners whom it has been our painful duty again and again to chastise. And yet, aside from these considerations, it can hardly be amiss to glance at the processes which preceded this late though proper action, and the position in which it leaves many of the most pertinacious assailants of the President's policy.

One notable point has been gained. Whatever else may be open to controversy, the theory of State suicide—of the provincial relation of the States lately in rebellion—has now been demolished. A decisive majority of the Union Party have affirmed, in effect, that Tennessee has not been out of the Union, is in the Union now, irrespective of any enabling legislation by Congress; and what is true in respect of Tennessee is equally true of all other Southern States. The case of one is, to this extent, the case of all. The authority exercised by the one pertains constitutionally to the others. They may ratify the amendment or they may reject it; but at least the reference to them implied their existence as States and not as Territories. The subjugation doctrine, then—the most ultra of all the ultraisms which Radical philosophy has invented since the war—is abandoned in the house of its friends. Men may talk about it when they have nothing better to fall back upon, but for all practical purposes it has disappeared from the field of politics.

True, the preamble eventually agreed to by both Houses declares that Tennessee "can only be restored to its former political relations in the Union by the consent of the lawmaking power of the United States;" and, of course, the same reservation applies to the other States. But the words of a preamble cannot alter the essential conditions of the case. They who have for months opposed the admission of Tennessee may be pardoned for their desire to save what remains of their consistency; they may derive consolation from the repetition of a form of faith which they have at length superseded by more liberal works. But the fact remains that Tennessee has done nothing now beyond exercising power vested in it as a State. And, being all the time a State, as the reference logically implies, its constitutional relations to the Union were as sound, as comprehensive, as just, before the ratification of the amendment as after the transmitting of BROWNLOW'S disgraceful dispatch. The difference is in Congress, not in the constitutional portion of the State. Its right to representation, abstractly considered, was as good prior to the recent proceedings of its Legislature as now. Congress has changed, and the change is happily a divergence from Radicalism. If the preamble afford any relief in the circumstances, there are few who will be illiberal enough to begrudge its enjoyment.

And the clamor for negro suffrage is simultaneously tabooed. The doctrine of State suicide and the doctrine of compulsory and universal negro suffrage fall together. The Union Party put an end to both, the Radicals looking on helplessly, and some of them even helping to consummate the work. When the critical moment arrived, scarcely a legislator hinted at the alleged ability of Congress to dictate upon the subject to a State which had exercised one of its attributes of sovereignty; and but a small handful favored the idea of enacting a suffrage condition, to be complied with before regaining Congressional representation. The pet dogma of the Radicals was effectually demolished. For the action of both Houses substantially concedes the right of a State to determine its own franchise. And inasmuch as the formal admission of Tennessee involves its possession of republican institutions, it follows that Congress repudiates the Radical notion that the enfranchisement of the negro is essential to the maintenance of republican principles.

In these particulars and in this way the proceedings of Congress with reference to Tennessee are gratifying signs of the relative weakness of Radicalism when the Union Party is brought face to face with vital issues. By committees, by reports and resolutions, by successful resistance to the Executive, by preventing conciliatory and constitutional action, and by infusing into the debates of the session its own spirit of bitterness, the Radical element has undoubtedly proved its potency. But the admission of Tennessee in the manner described and upon the grounds stated, establishes the controlling power of the moderate elements when united. As against Conservative Republicans and Conservative Democrats, the Radicals are subject to restraint; and being restrained, there are among them those who make a virtue of necessity and vote for propositions to which, on their own showing, they are fundamentally opposed.

For this result, however, let us not forget that much is due to the better sense of elements other than the extreme Radical. Among those who voted for the joint resolution were several to whom certain parts of it are objectionable. There are Republicans, and there are Democrats who, could each have had his way, would have modified it in one degree or another. To have attempted that, would have been to defeat the whole effort, to delay for months a most important initiatory step, and to delight the Radicals by playing their game. Moderation and mutual concession averted this result; and the country now has the satisfaction of seeing Congress committed to a proceeding which, with all its defects, indicates the weakness of Radicalism when brought to a fair trial of its strength.

The Last News from Europe.

The *Scotia*, from Liverpool on the 14th and Queenstown on the 15th, arrived at this port yesterday. The news she brings is important, so far as it shows that no definite resolution has been reached as to the proposed armistice and negotiations for peace. While France, or rather the Emperor NAPOLEON, is deliberating upon a basis for peace, which may induce the belligerents to desist from war, both Prussia and Italy are pushing their armies forward into Austrian territory. CIALDINI is reported to have entered Rovigo, which was to be expected, since our last report informed us that the Austrians had evacuated it after blowing up all the defences of the town. It was believed that on the line of the Adige the Austrians would oppose the further progress of the Italians, but which they did not do, as CIALDINI is said to have reached Padua, on the Bacchiglione, some fifteen miles north of Rovigo. There also is reported a fight between the Garibaldian volunteers and Austrian troops in the mountain gorges leading to the Stelvio Pass, in which the Italians were successful.

The Prussians in the north are also advancing. One dispatch from Berlin claims that their vanguard had entered Znaim, which we can hardly believe, as that would bring them within less than four days' march of Vienna; and yet another Berlin telegram exults in the idea that ten days would see the Prussian army in front of Vienna. On the other hand, it appears that the Austrian army is again increasing in strength and efficiency, and is concentrating on the line between Brunn and Olmutz, in Moravia. If the Prussians have reached Znaim, as claimed, then they are about cutting off the retreat of the Austrian army towards Vienna, and may isolate the capital and compell the Imperial army to withdraw to Hungary, thus giving up not only Bohemia, but Moravia and Austrian-Silesia also, as well as the whole western portion of Austria proper, and transfer the battle ground east of the March.

The news about the armistice is uncertain and contradictory. We are told in one dispatch, that a perfect understanding exists between France and Prussia, and that France, Prussia and Italy have agreed to exclude Austria from all further voice in Germany; another dispatch speaks of an article in the *Vienna Presse* (semi-official) announcing that the mediation of France has been in vain, and that Austria will have to rely upon her own strength. If these dispatches are correct, our belief (as we have hitherto expressed) that the war will continue, and that the friends of European peace will have to deter for a while their hopes, proves to have been well founded.

The "Equalization of Bounties" Bill --The Public Taxation.

Senator WILSON made several efforts last week to get the Senate to take action upon the bill for the "Equalization of Bounties." He did not succeed, but now we are informed by telegraph that it is probable this bill will be appended to the "Omnibus Appropriation Bill."

The measure is one of such great public importance, and involves such a heavy expenditure, that it must be accounted exceedingly unfortunate, if it is to be acted upon at all, that it should be acted upon in this way. The precise purport of this measure is understood by but few people; and though it is the House bill, which differs somewhat from Senator WILSON'S own bill, which he is now trying to have passed through the Senate, we can best exhibit the ostensible purpose and the principle of the measure in the concise statements made in a report on the subject presented to the Senate by Mr. WILSON:

"The sums paid or agreed to be paid to soldiers, sailors and marines as pay, bounty and other allowances during the first two and a half years of the war, were certainly not adequate compensation for the services rendered and the sacrifices endured. During the last year and a half, owing to the immense drain upon the arms-bearing population, it became necessary to offer additional inducements to retain those in the service who, by actual experience in the field, had become veterans, as well as to secure enlistments to fill the depleted ranks of the army and to man the large navy created during the war. These additional bounties provided by law amounted to $100 per annum for reenlisted or for volunteers for one, two or three years; $100 per annum may therefore be considered as the measure of the highest bounties paid by the Government. In order that those who entered the service during the first two and a half years of the war, and who bore the heavy burdens of the conflict, may be placed upon an equal footing with those who entered the service at a later day, the bill provides that each and every soldier, sailor, and marine shall receive a bounty of eight and one-third dollars for each month of service, and that all sums paid and to be paid in bounty and prize money, shall be deducted therefrom."

The bill is discussed, first, as an act of national justice; second, as an act of national magnanimity; third, in regard to its expediency, as respects the effect upon the national finances. We have two official documents upon the subject taking antagonistic grounds, and arriving at opposite conclusions. One of these, that opposing the bill—comes from the *administrative* department of the Government, being a letter and appendix sent into Congress by the Secretary of the Treasury; and the other—that favoring the bill—originated in the *legislative* department of the Government—being the report of the Senate Military Committee already referred to. We emphasize the *origin* of these respective documents, as some people will fancy they can thus account for their respective and opposing predelictions.

When the measure was introduced to Congress, some three month's since, it was felt by Secretary MCCULLOCH to be of such vital importance to his Department and to the national finances, that he addressed a note on the subject to the Chairman of the United States Revenue Commission. He expressed his opinion that it would require an expenditure on the part of the Government of from *two hundred millions to two hundred and fifty millions* of dollars, thus adding an equivalent sum to the principal of the public debt, and requiring an additional annual interest payment from *fifteen millions to eighteen millions* of dollars. As the relations of the national debt to the industry and resources of the country had been specially referred to the Revenue Commission for consideration, Secretary MCCULLOCH asked its Chairman for information as to the effect this proposed increase of the national debt and annual taxation would be likely to have upon the *finances* and development of the country, and what changes it might necessitate in our future revenue system and policy. The Secretary's object was doubtless the enlightenment of Congress and the country upon the subject, that so Congress, if it determined to pass the bill, might at the same time take measures to increase the public *taxation* in agreement with its demands, and that the country might express its opinion upon a question of such vital interest. The Secretary sanctioned the statements made in the reply, and formally gave them official character; and their consideration by Congress doubtless prevented its taking action at that time upon the bill. The document very forcibly set forth the necessity that it should be understood and proclaimed, at this critical period of our financial experience, "that the borrowing period for the nation has passed, and that henceforth and until another extraordinary emergency arrives, the national *expenditures* are to be met by *taxation* exclusively." Nothing less than this can satisfy the holders of the public debt; nothing less can sustain the national credit at such a standard as will keep open to the nation the resource of loans for future emergencies. The document shows that the existing public debt of this country (taking into consideration our accumulated wealth and the rate of interest) is now comparatively larger than that of any of the States of the Old World, and is only exceeded in actual amount by that of Great Britain. We have been, and are now drawing from the people, by the various forms of direct and indirect taxation, at the rate of upward of $550,000,000 per annum; and this immense sum, "in opposition to the settled policy of all other nations and in defiance of their experience," has been taken mainly from the industry of the country. It is proposed in Congress to make still heavier taxation necessary, and to increase to still higher figures the enormous volume of our national debt. After elaborating these points, making a comparison of the revenue and taxation with those of England, and expressing a fear that there will be a deficit in the receipts during the next fiscal year as compared with that just closed, the document cogently add that "it would seem as if the mere statement of these facts ought to suffice as an argument against any immediate increase of our enormous burden of debt and taxation."

But still other cogent and unanswerable arguments are found if we consider the manner and distribution of the taxation by which the nation is at present raising its revenue. Says the document:

"As is well known, the exemption from taxation at the present, in the United States, of any form of capital, or any process, or result of industry, is the exception rather than the rule. This system necessarily involves a most extensive duplication of taxes, and thus in turn entails and maintains an undue enhancement of prices; a decrease, both of production and consumption, and consequently of wealth; a restriction of exportations, and of foreign commerce, and a large increase in the machinery and expense of the revenue collection. It needs no gift of prophecy, or trained financial intellect, to determine the result of a persistency in such a policy, for *nations like individuals, have limits to their resources, and nations like individuals may have their patriotism taxed beyond endurance.* A reduction and equalization of national taxation has, therefore, become not merely expedient, but imperative."

After setting forth various points in reference to the details of our present system of taxation, and their bearings upon popular industries and public interests, we are solemnly told, in conclusion, that "it would seem as if *nothing but the salvation of the nation itself* could warrant any immediate increase of the national liabilities or the people's taxes."

We commend these statements to the renewed consideration of Congress at this time. They will be found applicable to not a few schemes for spending the public money and increasing the public burdens, for which desperate efforts will be made to obtain the indorsement of Congress before it closes its session.

Prussia.

The Kingdom of Prussia has, for the present, "achieved greatness." It is no longer what it was, a second-rate Power, but it has sprung with a perilous leap into the position of a first-class Power in Europe. Whether it will be able to hold that position, time and circumstances have to show. But for the present the battle of Sadowa has given to Prussia an eminence in European affairs such as it never had before, and as commands for the moment the attention of the world.

We do not coincide with the belief of those who think that Prussia has the same part to play in Germany as Piedmont in Italy. An united Italy proceeded from the ascendancy of Piedmont, but the ascendancy of Prussia can, in our opinion, culminate only in an aggrandized Prussia bearing the germ of future wars in Europe. There is that spirit alive in the governing conneils of Prussia which takes umbrage at everything most slightly opposed to what is known as "specific Prussianism." Only a few weeks ago we translated from the Hamburg *Reform* a letter of BISMARCK'S, written to an intimate friend from St. Petersburgh in 1859, and intended as a *resumé* of his views upon the political condition of Germany. In that letter he very clearly stated that, paraphrasing METTERNICH'S epigrammatic expression about Italy, Germany was a mere geographical term, and would never become an integral part of political Europe until Prussia shall have succeeded in "gobbling up" such of the smaller States as lie contiguous to her, and thus be able to become in reality, as well as mere pretension, a great Power.

Somebody, we think it was Dr. MAX SCHLESINGER in the *Fortnightly Review*, said, that BISMARCK was the only man in Germany who knew what he wanted, and we might add, the only man who is so reckless about the means he employs to accomplish his ends. It is not yet sixteen years ago,—if we are correct in our memory, it was on the 3d day of December, 1850,—that BISMARCK, then a member of the Prussian Chamber of Deputies, paid a very high compliment to Austria and denounced all attacks upon her as revolutionary and contrary to the best interests of the German Fatherland. It is later than that, we believe it was while BISMARCK represented Prussia at the Frankfort Diet, that he spoke in strong words against the "insane raving" of the German people for their old national colors, black, red and gold, and deplored the "compulsory obedience" of the Prussian soldiers, who had, during the days of the Frankfort Parliament, been obliged to wear a cockade of these colors along with the black and white of the Prussian. Even now it is Prussia that glories over the victory, and the official organs of the Berlin Government speak of "*Old* Prussia," which means simply the Ukkermark and Pomerania, the home of BISMARCK, as the mainstay of the war and the country that has hereafter to give tone to the cause fought with "God for King and Fatherland." With this haughty spirit of "specific Prussianism" triumphant, we hope *nothing* for Germany, and hence we refrain from expressing any belief that German unity has been promoted or is near at hand in consequence of the defeat of Austria upon the important field of Sadowa.

But, neutral as we are, we cannot deny to Prussia, under her present Government, great praise for the energy and ability with which she has managed public affairs to suit her ends. True, liberal aspirations have been rudely repressed; the Constitution, which the King swore to support, was violated and set at defiance; the freedom of the Press curtailed; the freedom of debate infringed. But while all this is true, and in no wise encourages Americans to have any special liking for the tendencies of the Government of King WILLIAM I. and his Minister BISMARCK, yet the boldness with which it was done, the courage with which the Chamber were told that they were numskulls and knew nothing about their business, the independence of spirit with which BISMARCK defied public opinion, commands attention though it cannot receive approval.

There lived but one other Prussian of modern times, now dead, who was as bold, as courageous, as independent, and whose teachings seem to have found an apt pupil in the present Minister-President of Prussia. The man we refer to was RADOWITZ, as comprehensive, logical, as Prussianized a mind as ever lived. He had not the power of BISMARCK, for the besotted King, FREDERICK WILLIAM IV., had neither the ability left to distinguish between superiority and mediocrity, nor the moral courage to call to his aid, in the Government, a man of positive will and mind. LOUIS NAPOLEON knows men better, and BISMARCK owes his present position and his former gradual rise to the intercession of the French Emperor. It would be a quaint reprimand if the very man whom NAPOLEON has patronized should now, by the very force of circumstances, be compelled to turn against his patron.

At any rate, whatever may be the final issue of the war now raging, Prussia may boast of three proud epochs in her history up to the present time. We mentioned yesterday the three epochs in the modern history of France, as dating only from the outbreak of the first great revolution. Although a much younger State than France, Prussia's modern history is older by nearly a century. It dates back into the last decade of the seventeenth century, to the days of the Great Elector and when, in 1706, his successor changed the Electorate of Brandenburg into the Kingdom of Prussia. The second epoch commences with FREDERICK the Great, with whom Prussia for the first time ceased to be a German and rose to be a European Power. The third epoch begins now, with WILLIAM I. and BISMARCK, and with their efforts, so far successful, to make Prussia not only a European, but a great European Power. The effort alone will ever live in history as a great event, and the people of Prussia may well rejoice.

Amusements.

THE ICE WITCH.—Mr. LEONARD GROVER hoisted his managerial flag at the Olympic Theatre last night, and produced, for the first time, a sensational spectacularism called the "Ice Witch," with fine effect. Mr. GROVER'S good luck attended him, and as a mere matter of course his first night drew the largest audience of the season, a regular crowd, a *bona fide* jam. The gallery was filled with boys who hi-hied, the balcony with sentimental male and female swains, (if such we may say,) who shrank with apprehension and dilated with delight, the parquet with cynics, whose evil prognostications came early to grief, and the orchestral stalls with the *élite* of everywhere, who gazed with unfeigned admiration and not a little awe upon the endeavor of the new manager upon Metropolitan boards. The "Ice Witch" is a vehicle for spectacular effect by the wholesale and love-sick nonsense by the retail. Mr. MARK SMITH, Mr. G. C. CLARKE, Miss ADA WEBB, Miss EMMA WEBB and Miss KATE NEWTON sustaining the principal *rôles*. None of them have much to do beyond putting in an appearance. The costumes of the Misses WEBB and of Miss NEWTON were rich and elegant, as indeed were all the dresses of the principal characters. The appearance of Miss ADA WEBB was the signal for a prolonged applause, which bade fair to continue until the adjournment of Congress, but it happily subsided in time to permit of a pleasing demonstration in honor of Miss EMMA. ADA'S songs were encored, MARK SMITH'S definition of woman was demanded a second time, the tableaux were all reset, and we believe the entire legend would have been repeated had the manager paid the least attention to the frantic suggestions of the audience. A rapier combat between two terrific Kings of foreign nativity was worth triple the price of admission, judged by its length and ferocity. Mr. GROVER deserves commendation for the admirable manner in which the piece is mounted, for the liberality evinced in its general spectacle, and especially for the novel feature of a respectable chorus.

TENNESSEE.

Fires at Nashville—The Incendiaries Object to Interference.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Monday, July 23.

A special dispatch from Nashville gives an account of a fire which broke out there at 12 o'clock on the night of the 22d inst., damaging LOUIS WELLS' dry goods stock $10,000, and BOYCE, DEMOVILLE & WHARTON'S drug store $1,000. During the progress of the fire the incendiaries kindled another, in a building formerly owned by the Government but now occupied by MORRILL & Co., as a store for the sale of harness, saddles, paper and oils. Their loss is estimated at from $15,000 to $25,000, for which they are insured $10,000 in the Home Company, of New-York, and the Phœnix Company, of Hartford. The man who discovered the fire was ejected from the premises, and the incendiaries poured a barrel of oil upon the flames.

Madison University Commencement.

The annual commencement of this institution at Hamilton, N. Y., will open with the exhibition of the grammar school, on Friday evening next, July 27. The sermon before the Education Society will be delivered by Rev. M. S. RIDDELL, of New-Brunswick, N. J., on Sunday, A. M. In the evening the sermon before the Society for Inquiry will be delivered by Rev. THOS. ARMITAGE, D. D., Pastor of the Fifth-avenue Baptist Church in this city.

On Monday, July 30, the Literary Societies will enjoy their anniversaries. Hon. ENOS CLARK, of St. Louis, is to give the oration, and Rev. S. F. SMITH, of Newton, Mass., the poem.

The Theological Seminary will hold its anniversary on Tuesday. The same evening a discourse before the Alumni and friends will be delivered by Rev. J. S. HOLMES, of this city. Commencement Day will occur on Wednesday, Aug. 1, the whole winding up with a public conference of Alumni and friends.

CITY TRAVEL.—The Second-avenue Railroad is working hard to supply the wants of the traveling portion of our City population. Within the last six months the Company have purchased over fifty new cars, which are now used in place of their old-fashioned ones. Many of the old cars have been broken up, and others have been repainted and cleaned and placed behind the dummies which run from Sixty-third-street to Harlem. The road from the depot northward has been greatly improved, and it is said to be the intention of the Company, as soon, as circumstances will permit, to place more dummies on the line, and run at five minutes interval instead of twelve, as at present. The Company's enterprise deserves success. All the officers—including President, Treasurer and Superintendent—are spirited, energetic and obliging.

PERSONAL.—Among the changes made by Mr. SMYTHE in the Custom-house is the appointment of Col. H. L. POTTER, late of the Seventy-first New-York Volunteers, the second regiment of Gen. SICKLES' gallant Excelsior Brigade, to an important position. Col. POTTER entered the service in April, 1861, and was honorably discharged in January, 1863, serving nearly four years continuously. He was several times wounded in battle, and severely crippled and disabled for life, proving himself a gallant and meritorious officer. The selection of such officers for civil appointments is highly commendable.

WASHINGTON NEWS.

The Resolution Admitting Tennessee Passed by Both Houses.

The Bankrupt Bill Postponed to the Next Session.

Five Millions Appropriated to Loyal Citizens for Enlisted Slaves.

Union Prisoners to Receive Commutation of Rations.

The Bill Reorganizing the Supreme Court Signed.

The Nomination of Hon. Henry Stansbery as Attorney-General Confirmed.

Gov. Holden for Minister to San Salvador Rejected.

Major-Gen. John A. Dix Nominated as Minister to the Hague.

The Constitutional Amendment Undoubtedly Ratified by Tennessee.

Bill Regulating the Election of Senators Passed by the House.

Special Dispatches to the New-York Times.

WASHINGTON, Monday, July 23.

THE PROSPECTS OF ADJOURNMENT.

Both Houses began work to-day in a spirit evincing a determination to get through with business this week and adjourn not later than Monday next. Mr. DELANO, of Ohio, the same gentleman who put through the adjournment resolution last week, offered a resolution that during this week the House meet at 11 A. M., and at 4:30 take a recess until 7:30 P. M. Accordingly the House is in session to-night, clearing the Speaker's table from the load of business upon it. The Senate also ordered evening sessions, and in the House all applications for leave of absence were refused, as there is but a small majority over a quorum. The

in obtaining an interview with the President, nor is he likely to do so. The President has neither sympathy with nor respect for men of Mr. VALLANDIGHAM'S antecedents, and the *Tribune's* persistent efforts to give them prominence in connection with the President are only in pursuance of its systematic misrepresentations.

THE CASE OF MR. BEVERIDGE.

In the matter of the assault upon Mr. PAINTER by the bully BEVERIDGE, the Select Committee reported to-day recommending that BEVERIDGE be turned over to the civil authorities for punishment. Since his arrest he has been confined in the crypt beneath the Capitol, and a perfect demoralization has taken possession of the man, and he has cried and plead like a baby for fear the House would adjourn and leave him confined. He admits that he has such a passion for fighting that he never sees a row without an irresistible desire to pitch in. According to his own story he is a dangerous man to be at liberty. Turning him over to the civil authorities will enable him to be released on bail.

THE BANKRUPT BILL POSTPONED.

The Senate to-day, by a vote of 17 against 14, refused to take up the Bankrupt Bill, which is considered equivalent to postponing it until next session.

GEN. GRANGER ON THE DISPOSITION OF THE SOUTH.

Gen. GORDON GRANGER arrived here to-day, having just completed a trip on official business through some of the Southern States. He gives an account of the feeling and temper of the Southern people, who in general he found well disposed toward the Government, and ready, if they shall be permitted, to give substantial proof of their loyalty and devotion to the Constitution and union of the States.

THE FENIANS.

The Fenians received several plasters of comfort, to-day, from the House, in the shape of resolutions. One from Mr. CLARKE, of Ohio—passed by 109 to 2—requests the President to urge upon the British authorities the release of Fenians now held for trial. Another requests the President to authorize the proper law officers to discontinue the prosecutions now going on in our courts against a large number of Fenians for violation of the neutrality laws, provided the same be not incompatible with the public interest.

NOMINATIONS.

The President to-day sent to the Senate the following nominations, viz:

John A. Dix, Minister Resident to the Hague; Caleb Cushing, of Massachusetts, Charles P. James, of the District of Columbia, and William Johnston, of Ohio, Commissioners to revise and consolidate the Statutes of the United States; Jesse O. Norton, United States District-Attorney, Northern District of Illinois; John H. Frazier, Assessor First District of Pennsylvania; Adolph Sorrenson, Assessor Fifth District of Wisconsin.

The following are nominated as Postmasters for Ohio, viz., John F. Mahon, Athens; Comfort M. Patch, Warren; Augustus Fraezer, Kenton; Daniel P. Benton, Oxford; Enos Foreman, Wooster; C. M. L. Wiseman, Lancaster; Jesse E. Webb, Salem; William Lewis, Xenia; Henry Bisher, Ripley; Richard S. Elkins, Akron; Wm. E. Buck, Marietta; Thomas L. Moore, Youngstown; Milton Mitchell, Miamisville; S. Brady Steece, Ironton; Seth Marshall, Painesville.

The following are nominated for Postmasters in New-York:

Augustus B. Goodall, Port Jarvis; George B. Winslow, Gouverneur; C. W. Creed, Pelham; Francis Finch, Fort Hamilton; Charles McCashie, Greenpoint; Egbert Linebaugh, Catskill; Nathaniel B. Holmes, Tarrytown; W.R. Remington, Canton; Wm. Hollands, West Troy; R. Acly, Rondout; Mrs. Mary Bernard, West Point; Thos. D. Dawes, Saugerties; Scott W. Updike, Rochester; Edward P. Pickett, Lansingburgh; Caleb S. Cluy, Kingston; Danl. S. Carswell, Fort Edward; S. B. Allis, Cold Spring; Daniel F. Pickering, Elmira; John H. Selkreg, Ithaca; Samuel B. Taylor, Oswego.

The following are nominated for Postmasters in Pennsylvania, viz.:

P. Robert, Bethlehem; J. Bingham, Hollidaysburgh; S. S. Hill, Pit Hole City; John Read, Huntington; Hugh Arters, Greensburgh; John C. Boyle, New-Brighton; Mary Laurence, Minersville; W. M. Briner, Reading; Margaret Shuman, Pottsville; James Searle, Pittston; Robert Iredell, Norristown; David Bullinger, Mahanoy City; Wm. B. Darlington, Westchester; Jane F. Righter, Maunch Chunk; John J. Horn, Easton; Andrew F. Russell, Danville; Emanuel C. Hamilton, Lewiston; Tilghman Good, Allentown; G. W. Patton, Altoona; W. C. Wiley, Washington; Dudson R. Lathrop, Montrose; George Zian, Carlisle; R. S. Taylor, Williamsport. E. Roberts, Johnstown; John Sheiffer, Tamagua; L. D. Crandall, Warren; E. Smith, Towanda; Peter Heck, Uniontown; F. H. Chase, Wilkesbarre.

For Indiana the following are nominated as Postmasters, viz: J. P. De Bruler, Evansville; G. B. Roberts, Laporte; S. M. Graham, Delphi. A. H. Grimshaw is appointed Postmaster for Wilmington, Del., Seth H. Hopper, Havre De Grace, M. D.

The following are nominated as Postmasters for Massachusets, viz.;

Edwin S. Merrell, Winchendon; A. T. Wilson, Barre; T. K. Ware, Fitchburg; Lewis Merriam, Greenfield; J. L. Skinner, Amherst; Geo. J. L. Colby, Newburyport; J. H. Bardwell, East Hampton, Lorenzo W. Joy, Northampton; S. P. Hathaway, Jr., Marblehead; T. A. Morgan, Beverly; N. Wyman, Wobern; George Hervey, Medford; A. McMaster, Watertown; W. H. De Costa, Charlestown; E. R. Gibbs, Clinton; J. B. Fairbanks, Natick; H. B. Burrill, Chelsea; S. Sherman, Waltham, Adam Hunt, Milford; D. Bachelder; Amesbury; S. Raymond, Andover.

THIRTY-NINTH CONGRESS.

FIRST SESSION.

SENATE....MONDAY, July 23.

THE NAVY BILL.

Mr. GRIMES called up the bill to define the number and regulate the appointment of officers of the navy, recently passed by the Senate and amended in the House.

On motion of Mr. GRIMES the House amendments were concurred in and the bill goes to the President.

ANOTHER SOLDIERS' FAIR.

Mr. MORRILL, from the Committee on the District of Columbia, reported a resolution tendering the further use of the building used for the Soldiers' and Sailors' Orphans Fair to the Directors of the Institution for another fair, and granting permission for the building to stand where it is until 1867, which was passed.

EVENING SESSION.

On motion of Mr. CHANDLER, it was ordered that the Senate take a recess at 4:30 o'clock to meet again at 7:30, for the consideration of bills from the Committee on Commerce.

COMMUTATION OF RATIONS.

Mr. WILSON called up the resolution giving the soldiers and sailors held as prisoners of war the commutation price of their rations while so held.

The resolution was passed and goes back to the House for concurrence in amendments.

THE VIRGINIA UNITED STATES CIRCUIT COURT.

Mr. TRUMBULL, from the Judiciary Committee, reported a bill to change the place of holding the Circuit Court in the District of Virginia.

It provides that the sittings of said Court heretofore held in Lewisburgh, shall be held at Parkersburgh.

The bill was passed.

THE RETRENCHMENT COMMITTEE.

Mr. HOWARD offered a resolution that the joint Committee on Retrenchment be instructed into the mode of collecting and the disposition made of captured and abandoned property in the States lately in rebellion, by officers and agents of the Treasury Department, and that the Committee be invested with full power to send for persons and papers.

The resolution was adopted.

THE NEUTRALITY LAW.

Mr. CHANDLER said that last December, he promised on the floor of the Senate to introduce the present British neutrality laws of the two countries, and he had found them identical. The same law under which in this country the Fenians were stopped from invading Canada was the law under which British sailors were enlisted for the naval service. It would be seen at a glance that it was a mere farce to continue such laws. He therefore asked the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Committee on Foreign Relations be directed to inquire into the expediency of repealing our present neutrality laws.

Mr. CHANDLER said that the neutrality laws are a perfect farce as they stand, and he hoped that the Committee on Foreign relations would decide that this is the time for repealing them.

The Chair said the resolution could only be entertained by unanimous consent.

Mr. COWAN objected and the resolution lies over.

THE ILLINOIS SOLDIERS' COLLEGE.

Mr. TRUMBULL offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the Secretary of War be authorized to transfer to the Illinois Soldiers' College and Military Academy, from the surplus on hand not needed from the public service, the cots and bedding necessary to accommodate five hundred persons, for the use of the students in said institution disabled by the war.

THE FISHERIES.

Mr. MORRILL offered a resolution requesting the President, so far as the same may be practicable, to enter into arrangements with the British Provinces of North America, touching the fisheries; into commercial relations between the Provinces and the United States.

This was referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

INTERNAL REVENUE.

Mr. POLAND offered a resolution calling upon the Secretary of the Treasury for a settlement of the amount of internal revenue paid into the Treasury by the Collectors of Vermont.

This was amended so as to include Kentucky, and as amended, passed.

THE POST-OFFICE DEPARTMENT.

Mr. RAMSEY introduced a bill to reorganise and fix the pay of certain officers of the Post-Office Department, which was referred to the Committee on Post-Offices and Post-Roads.

It makes the salaries of Assistant Postmasters-General each $5,000; of Chief Clerks, $3,000; of the Superintendent of the money-order office, $3,000; of the Chief Clerks of the appointment, contract and finance offices, each $2,500; of the principal Clerks, each $2,200; of the Messengers, $1,200, and of the laborers and watchmen, $700 each.

In lieu of 129 clerks, as now authorized, there are allowed in the appointment office: 1 principal clerk, 11 clerks of class 4, 6 of class 3, four of class 2, and 1 of class 1.

In the contract office: Eight principal clerks; twenty-five of class four; fourteen of class three, and three of class one.

In the finance office: Four principal clerks; eight of class four; twenty-five of class three; fourteen of class two, and one of class one.

In the money order office: One principal clerk, and two of class four.

The Superintendent of the Post-office Building shall receive $200 beside his pay, as a principal clerk, when employed as a disbursing clerk.

THE BANKRUPT BILL.

Mr. POLAND said he would like to know if it was the intention of the Senate to pass the Bankrupt Bill at the present session. He hoped it was. He was in favor of prolonging the session, if necessary, for that purpose. In order to test the sense of the Senate, he would move to take up the bill. If the motion prevailed, he would postpone the consideration of the measure until to-morrow, but he wished the sense of the Senate tested.

Mr. JOHNSON expressed himself in favor of the bill, and hoped it would be passed.

Mr. SUMNER hoped the Senate would not adjourn without passing the bill. It might need some amendments, but some bill on the subject ought to be passed.

Mr. COWAN said he was opposed to the bill in its present form. He was opposed to any bankrupt bill which took bankrupt cases into the United States Courts.

Mr. GUTHRIE was in favor of a bankrupt bill. He hoped, however, that the present bill would not be passed, but that the subject would go over until the next session.

Mr. CLARK declined to cast a test vote on this question. He was not willing that his vote on taking up should be taken as an indication of his vote on the bill.

Mr. POLAND did not intend to be understood as desirous of knowing how every Senator would vote on the bill. He merely wished the sense of the Senate as to the propriety of considering the bill.

Mr. LANE was opposed to the Bankrupt Bill now or at any other time. He hoped the Bounty Bill would be passed.

Mr. SHERMAN moved to lay Mr. POLAND'S motion on the table.

Mr. POMEROY hoped the Senate would not adjourn before passing a Bankrupt Bill. He would not vote for an adjournment until action was taken on that bill.

Mr. SHERMAN'S motion to lay the motion to take up the Bankrupt Bill prevailed by the following vote:

YEAS—Messrs. Brown, Buckalew, Clark, Cowan, Davis, Guthrie, Henderson, Kirkwood, Lane, Morrill, Sherman, Sprague, Trumbull, Van Winkle, Willey, Williams and Wilson—17.

NAYS—Messrs. Buckalew, Chandler, Clark, Guthrie, Howard, Lane, Morrill, Norton, Ramsey, Sherman, Sprague, Williams, Wilson—13.

Mr. SUMNER offered an amendment abolishing the mission to Greece. Adopted.

Mr. SUMNER offered an amendment appropriating $1,000 to SAWYER BARRIS, a Clerk of the State Department, for extra services in issuing pardons under the Amnesty Proclamation. Disagreed to.

LIGHT-HOUSES.

Mr. CHANDLER, from the Committee on Commerce, reported an amendment appropriating $15,000 for the erection of a light-house at Dema Bay, Lake Superior. Adopted.

Mr. CHANDLER, from the Committee on Commerce, reported an amendment appropriating $6,000 for a light-house at South Saven, Michigan.

Mr. CHANDLER, from the Committee on Commerce, moved to appropriate $200,000, instead of $70,000 as proposed, for the repair and completion of the pier of light-house at Waugoshance, Straits of Mackinaw.

A NAVAL CHAPEL.

Mr. GRIMES offered an amendment from the Naval Committe as follows: For the erection of a chapel upon the Naval Academy grounds at Annapolis, $25,000. Adopted.

RATIONS.

Mr. GRIMES moved an amendment as an additional section as follows: That midshipmen and acting midshipmen of the United States Navy shall be entitled to one ration or commutation therefor. Adopted.

THE SENATE CHAMBER.

Mr. BUCKALEW offered an amendment appropriating $7,685 for the improvement in the Senate chamber, recommended by the Select Committee on Ventilation.

Mr. TRUMBULL moved an Executive Session.

Mr. LANE hoped not. He was opposed to holding any more Executive Sessions, there had been enough of Executive business done already.

Mr. TRUMBULL'S motion prevailed.

The Senate went into Executive Session at 4 o'clock P. M., and at 4:30 took a recess to meet at 7:30 P. M.

EVENING SESSION.

The Senate met at 7:30, and proceeded to the consideration of bills from the Committee on Commerce.

REGISTERS.

Mr. CHANDLER called up the following bill: That the Secretary of the Treasury be and he is hereby authorized to issue Certificates of Registry or enrollment and license to the steamer *Diana*, of Victoria, Vancouver Island; the steamers *M. C. Rowe*, of Gloucester, Mass.; *Mary*, of Dexter, N. Y.; *Jesse Conger*, of Oswego, N. Y.; *U. C. Ford*, of Buffalo, N. Y.; *Sweet Home*, of Rochester, N. Y.; *Alma*, of Sodus, N. Y.; *Marco Polo*, of Erie, Penn.; brig *Three Bells*, of Rochester, N. Y.; bark *J. S. Austin*, of Buffalo, N. Y.; and the sloop *Dolphin*, of Alexandria Bay, N. Y.

Mr. EDMUNDS moved to amend by inserting the following proviso and loyal men of the South:

Provided, That there shall be paid on each such vessel that is foreign built a tax equal to the internal revenue tax upon the construction of similar American vessels.

The amendment was agreed to, and the bill was passed and goes to the President.

PORTS OF ENTRY.

Mr. CHANDLER called up the following bill:

That from and after the 1st day of October, 1866, the port of Port Angeles, in the District of Puget's Sound, in Washington Territory, is hereby abolished as a port of entry, and that Townsend be and is hereby established as the port of entry and delivery of the mail district from and after said date.

Passed, and goes to the President.

Mr. CHANDLER called up the following bill declaring certain cities ports of entry and delivery:

That Omaha and Nebraska City, in the Territory of Nebraska; St. Paul, in the State of Minnesota; Council Bluffs, in the State of Iowa, and Portland, in the State of Oregon, shall be and are hereby constituted ports of delivery, and shall be subject to the same regulations and restrictions as other ports of delivery in the United States, and there shall be appointed a Surveyor of Customs to reside at each of said ports, who shall, in addition to his own duties, perform the duties and receive the salary and emoluments of Surveyor, prescribed by the act of Congress, approved on the 2d of March, 1831, providing for the payment of duties on imported goods at certain ports therein mentioned, entitled "An act allowing the duties on foreign merchandise imported into Pittsburgh, Wheeling, Cincinnati, Louisville, St. Louis, Nashville and Natchez to be secured and paid at those places," and the said towns of Omaha, and Nebraska City, St. Paul and Council Bluffs, be and are hereby annexed to and made a part of the Collection District of New-Orleans, and said port of Portland is hereby annexed to and made a part of the Collection District of Oregon, and all the facilities and privileges afforded by the said Act of Congress of the session of March, 1831, be and are hereby extended to the said ports of Omaha and Nebraska City, St. Paul, Council Bluffs and Portland. It passed and goes to the House for concurrence in the amendments.

TENNESSEE.

The joint resolution restoring Tennessee to her relations in the Union was announced as signed by the President *pro tem.* of the Senate, having previously received the signature of the Speaker of the House.

COLLECTION DISTRICTS.

Mr. CHANDLER called up the following bill relating to collection districts in the State of North Carolina:

That from and after the 1st day of October, A. D. 1866, there shall be in the State of North Carolina four collection districts, to wit: One to be called the District of Albemarle, which shall include Albemarle, Currituck and Croaton Sounds, and all the waters, shores, harbors, rivers, creeks, bays and inlets adjacent to and flowing into the said sounds, together with that part of Pamlico Sound north of and including Loggerhead Inlet, and all waters and shores appertaining thereto; and the port of entry for said district shall be at Plymouth. Another to be called the District of Pamlico; which shall include Pamlico Sound and all the waters, shores, harbors, rivers, creeks, bays and inlets adjacent to and flowing into said sound, exclusive of the District of Albemarle, and including the south line of the Neuse River to the northern entrance of Cove Sound; and the port of entry for said District of Pamlico shall be at Newbern. Another to be called the District of Beaufort; which shall include all the waters, shores, harbors, creeks, bays and inlets south of the District of Pamlico and north of and including New River and Inlet, and the port of entry for said District of Beaufort shall be at Beaufort; another to be called the District of Wilmington, which shall include all waters, shores, harbors, creeks, bays and inlets south of the District of Beaufort to the southern boundary of the State; and the port of entry for said District of Wilmington shall be at Wilmington; and the Collector of said districts shall reside at the port of entry thereof.

SEC. 2. That the Secretary of the Treasury, should it at any time hereafter seem to him necessary, may change the port of entry in the District of Beaufort from Beaufort to Morehead City; and that all acts and parts of acts conflicting with the provisions of this act be and the same are hereby repealed.

The bill passed and goes to the House.

COLLECTORS OF CUSTOMS.

The Senate then took up the following bill to fix the compensation of certain collectors of customs and for other purposes, providing as follows:

SECTION 1. That the Collectors of Customs hereinafter named, shall, from and after the 1st day of July, 1866, in lieu of the salaries to which they are now by law respectively entitled, receive the salaries following, to wit:

The Collectors of the Districts of Texas at Galveston, Saluria, Corpus Christie and Brazos de Santiago, Texas, each at the rate of $1,500 a year in addition to the fees of office; provided that such compensation shall in no case exceed the sum of $3,500 per annum in the aggregate.

The Collectors of the Districts of Beaufort, S. C., and Pensacola, Fla., each at the rate of a year.

The Collectors of the District of Georgetown, in the District of Columbia, and of the Districts of Cherrystone, Va., Beaufort, N. C., Brunswick, Ga., St. Augustine, St. Marks and Appalachicola, Fla., and Teche, La., $500 a year.

SEC. 2. That all that part of the State of Texas and the waters thereof included within the Counties of Nueese, Starr, Zapata, Duval, Encinal, Web, La Salle, McMullen, Live Oak, Bee, Refugio and San Patricio, shall be a distinct collection district, to be called the district of Corpus Christi; and the town of Corpus Christi shall be its only port of entry; and a Collector shall be appointed to reside at said port; and Aransas shall be a port of entry in said District.

SEC. 3. That the town of Indianola shall hereafter be the port of entry for the District of Saluria, in said State, instead of LaSalle; and all acts and parts of acts conflicting with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed; and this act shall take effect on and after the first day of August next.

SEC. 4. That in lieu of the compensation now allowed by law, there shall hereafter be paid to each of the Deputy Collectors, Deputy Naval Officers and Deputy Surveyors of Customs at the ports of New-York, Boston, New-Orleans and San Francisco, a sum not exceeding $3,500 per annum out of the appropriation for expenses of collecting the revenue from customs.

SEC. 5. That all the blank books, blanks and stationery of every kind required by collectors and other officers of the customs shall, as soon as they can be prepared for delivery, by or under the direction of the Secretary, be furnished to them for the use of the respective offices, upon requisition made by them, and the expense of such books, blanks and stationery shall be paid out of the appropriation for defraying the expenses of collecting the revenue from customs.

SEC. 6. That the fourth section of the act of February 28, 1865, entitled "An act to revive certain provisions of the act entitled 'An act further to provide for the collection of duties on imports and tonnage, approved March 3, 1815,' and for other purposes," shall not be construed to increase the per diem allowed to Appraisers by the first section of the act of April 2, 1864, which it amends.

Mr. CASWELL moved to amend by inserting the word "Baltimore" after the word "Boston" in the 4th section, which was disagreed to.

Mr. EDMUNDS moved to strike out the words "Beaufort, North Carolina," in the 1st section, that place having been provided for in another bill.

The bill was then read a third time and passed. It goes to the House.

WEARING SHRATH KNIVES.

Mr. CHANDLER called up a bill to prevent the wearing of sheath knives by American seamen:

It provides that the existing regulation for the government of the navy of the United States, prohibiting the wearing of sheath knives on shipboard is hereby extended, and made applicable to all seamen in the merchant service; its compliance therewith under a penalty of fifty dollars for each omission, to be sued for and recovered in the name of the United States of America, under the direction of the Secretary of the Treasury—one-half for the informer and the other half for the fund for the relief of sick and disabled seamen.

The bill passed and goes to the House.

AMERICAN SEAMEN ON AMERICAN VESSELS.

Mr. EDMUNDS called up a bill providing as follows:

That section 2 of an act of Congress, entitled "An Act repealing certain provisions of the law concerning seamen on board public and private vessels of the United States," approved June 28, 1864, be and the same is hereby repealed, and the provisions of the law thereby repealed are hereby revived and reenacted.

Mr. EDMUNDS explained the effect of the bill. The act of 1864 he said repealed the provisions of the existing law requiring certain proportion of the seamen engaged in American vessels to be citizens of the United States, so that the effect of the act of 1864, and the existing laws, was to open American commerce and American ships, both in the coasting and foreign trade, to the employment of foreigners entirely. The policy of the Government, said Mr. EDMUNDS, has always been from very early in the present century down to this time, to pursue an opposite course. An act of 1813, provided that after the war, citizens of the United States exclusively, should be employed on board public and private vessels of the United States; and an act of 1817 supplementary to that required that two-thirds of the crew and all the officers should be citizens of the United States; and that whenever they were not, very heavy tonnage duties should be imposed. An act of 1830 provided also, and continued to be the law down to 1864, that there should be three-fourths of the crew of American vessels composed of American seamen. The effect of the passage of the pending bill would be to restore this condition of affairs.

The bill was passed, and goes to the House.

ENCOURAGEEENT OF EMIGRATION.

Mr. CHANDLER called up the House bill to repeal an act to encourage emigration, approved July 4, 1864.

Mr. MORGAN moved to indefinitely postpone the further consideration of the bill.

Mr. JOHNSON said he could not see the necessity of the repealing act.

Mr. MORGAN—It wont be repealed if you postpone the bill.

Mr. MORRILL explained the nature of the bill establishing a Bureau of Emigration, which it was proposed to repeal.

After discussion by several Senators, Mr. MORGAN withdrew his motion, and moved to postpone the bill until to-morrow.

Mr. EDMUNDS moved to lay the bill upon the table, and the motion prevailed.

NEBRASKA.

Mr. WADE asked and obtained unanimous consent to introduce a bill for the admission of Nebraska as a State of the Union; and on motion the bill and the Constitution of the State of Nebraska was referred to the Committee on Territories.

TREASURY AGENTS AT THE SOUTH.

Mr. CHANDLER called up the Senate resolution authorizing the Secretary of the Treasury to settle the accounts and pay the salaries of the agents of the Treasury in the South who were unable to take the oath of allegiance. It provides that the Secretary of the Treasury be and he is hereby authorized to pay a reasonable compensation to those persons by him employed for the purpose of, and who have been actually engaged in, collecting the revenue in the States lately in insurrection, notwithstanding their failure or inability to take the oath of office required by law; provided that said compensation shall not be greater in any case than that provided for by law for officers of the revenue performing such services, and provided further that this act shall not be deemed to authorize the continuance of such persons in such employment.

Mr. EDMUNDS offered a proviso as an amendment, that no such person shall receive salary for services rendered after the 1st of August, 1866; and provided, further, that their salaries shall not be paid until their accounts have been settled at the Treasury Department. The amendment was adopted.

Mr. TRUMBULL hoped no such bill would be passed. The Secretary of the Treasury had no right to make such appointments.

Mr. EDMUNDS said that when the resolution was first sent to the Committee all its members were opposed to it. After mature deliberation, however, they were willing to agree to it, as the persons appointed had been assured by the Secretary of the Treasury that the oath would be repealed by Congress.

Mr. NYE said that the Secretary of the Treasury, in appointing men who could not take the oath, had detranded good and loyal men of the South of what by right belonged to them. He (the Secretary) could have found plenty of loyal Union soldiers in the South to fill these offices. He (NYE) hoped Congress would pass no such bill.

Mr. WILSON said he knew that some of the best men in the country wrote to the Secretary of the Treasury against the appointment of Rebels, but that the Secretary thought the Administration would have control of both Houses, and that the oath would be repealed. While he (WILSON) condemned the act of the Secretary, he did not think the person appointed by him ought to be made to suffer for it. The bill ought to be passed. Those who could not take the oath ought so be paid and discharged, and those who could take it put in their places.

On motion of Mr. CHANDLER, the further consideration of the joint resolution was postponed until to-morrow.

THE DISMAL SWAMP CANAL.

Mr. CHANDLER called up the following House joint resolution:

WHEREAS, The United States are interested in the Dismal Swamp Canal, connecting the inland waters of the Chesapeake with the sounds of North-Carolina by holding 800 shares of the stock of the Dismal Swamp Canal Company; and, whereas, the canal should be kept open as a navigable highway without further outlay on the part of the United States; therefore be it

Resolved, &c., That the Secretary of the Treasury be and hereby is authorized to sell said stock at auction, or otherwise in the manner as will best protect the interests of the United States in said canal, and will insure that the same will be kept open as such navigable highway, without further expense to the Government, provided that the instruments and papers effecting such sale, in the manner as aforesaid, shall be approved by the Attorney-General before the delivery thereof.

The above was passed and goes to the President.

The Senate, at 10:30 P. M., adjourned.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

EXPENSES OF THE RECONSTRUCTION COMMITTEE.

Under the call of States for resolutions, Mr. RITTER offered a resolution calling upon the Committee on Reconstruction for a statement as to how much of the ten thousand dollars heretofore appropriated for the expenses of that Committee has been spent and how.

Mr. STEVENS stated that the expenditures were made by the officers of the Senate branch of the Committee, and not those of the House.

The House refusing to second the call for the previous question, and Mr. WILSON rising to debate, the resolution went over, under the operation of the rule.

THE DUTY ON WOOL.

Mr. BINGHAM introduced a bill to provide increased revenue from imported wool, which was read twice, referred to the Committee of the Whole on the State of the Union, and ordered printed.

(It consists of the wool sections of the Revised Tariff Bill, passed by the House and postponed in the Senate, except that the *ad valorem* duty is increased from 10 to 11 per cent. on raw wool, and on woolen manufactured goods the specific duty is reduced from 50 cents to 40 cents per pound.)

EVENING SESSIONS.

Mr. DELANO offered a resolution that the House meet during this week at 11 o'clock, and take a recess daily from 4:30 till 7:30, and that the first business in order in the evening sessions shall be bills on the Speaker's table; which was adopted.

THE FENIAN PRIONERS IN CANADA.

Mr. CLARKE, of Ohio, offered a resolution requesting the President to urge on the Canadian authorities, and also on the British Government the release of the Fenian prisoners recently captured in Canada, which was adopted by a vote of 102 ayes to 2 noes, the negatives being Messrs. JENCKES and WILLIAMS.

THE REBEL GENERAL PICKET.

Mr. SCHENCK offered a resolution, which was adopted, calling on the President for information as to whether an application has been made to him for the pardon of the rebel Major-Gen. PICKETT; and whether, since the adjournment of the Raleigh Court of Inquiry on the 30th of March last, any further measures have been taken to bring PICKETT or others to punishment for the hanging of United States soldiers for alleged desertion from the rebel army.

MR. ROGERS AND THE JUDICIARY COMMITTEE.

Mr. LE BLOND offered a resolution to authorize Mr. ROGERS, a member of the Judiciary Committee, to have access to the papers before that Committee in the investigation as to JEFFERSON DAVIS, and to have extracts made therefrom by a short-hand writer.

The House refusing to second the previous question, and Mr. CONKLING rising to debate the resolution, it went over under the rule.

THE CONKLING-FRY CASE.

Mr. ECKLEY, at the request of Mr. DAVIS, offered a resolution instructing the Judiciary Committee to inquire and report whether any breach of the privileges of the House, not sufficiently reported upon by the Conkling-Fry Select Committee, has been committed in connection with the sending, reading and publishing of Gen. FRY'S letter, &c.

The resolution went over under the rule.

THE FENIANS.

Mr. SPALDING offered a resolution requesting the President to cause the prosecution instituted in the United States courts against the Fenians to be discontinued, if compatible with the public interest. Adopted.

A SELECT COMMITTEE.

Mr. ASHLEY, of Ohio, offered a resolution for the appointment of a Select Committee of Seven, to which all bills and joint resolutions now pending before any Committee of the House, and all that may hereafter be offered, proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States, rendering any person who has been elected President ineligible to a second term; as also all bills and joint resolutions proposing a change in the mode and manner of electing President and Vice-President of the United States.

On motion of Mr. LE BLOND, the resolution was laid on the table by a vote of 71 to 42.

NEW-JERSEY.

Mr. NEWELL, on leave, introduced a joint resolution, authorizing the Adjutant-General of New-Jersey to transmit through the mails, free of postage, certain certificates of thanks awarded by the Legislature to the soldiers of that State, under such regulations as the Postmaster-General may direct; which was read three times and passed.

NATIONAL CEMETERIES.

On motion of Mr. SCHENCK, the communications from the Secretary of War, and reports in reference to the national cemeteries for soldiers in Tennessee, were ordered to be printed.

RIGHT OF WAY.

The House then proceeded to the consideration of the Senate amendment to the House bill, granting the right of way to ditch and canal owners over the public lands in the States of California, Oregon and Nevada, which was under discussion at the time of adjournment on Saturday.

Mr. JULIAN addressed the House against the amendments.

The debate was further continued by Messrs. KASSON, MCRUER and HIGBY. Finally the Senate amendments were concurred in, 73 to 37.

UTAH.

Mr. ASHLEY, of Ohio, presented the testimony taken before the Committee on Territories in relation to Utah Territory. Ordered printed.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE.

Several applications from members for leave of absence having been made, the Speaker called attention to the fact that in votes taken to-day there were only eighteen over a quorum.

THE CASE OF ASSAULT ON MR. PAINTER.

Mr. ALLEY, from the Select Committee to investigate the assault on U. H. PAINTER, Clerk to the Post-office Committee, presented testimony taken, and offered a resolution that JOHN MORRISSEY be delivered by the Sergeant-at-Arms into the custody of the civil authorities, to be prosecuted before the Criminal Court of the District, and that the testimony taken in the case be delivered to the United States District-Attorney.

Mr. ALLEY made a statement to the effect that the House had no power to imprison the offender beyond the adjournment of the present session.

Mr. FARNSWORTH and JOHN L. THOMAS, members of the Select Committee, dissented from that view, holding that the House had a right to have BEVERIDGE imprisoned until the close of Congress.

The resolution was agreed to.

THE TENNESSEE DELEGATION.

Mr. TRIMBLE moved, as a question of privilege, that inasmuch as each House is, by the Constitution, the judge of the election returns and qualifications of its own members, and inasmuch as this House had passed a joint resolution declaring the State of Tennessee restored to her former proper practical relations with the Union and entitled to representation in Congress, the members from Tennessee be sworn in.

The Speaker overruled it as a question of privilege, on the ground that both Houses had declared, by concurrent resolution, that certain States which had not been represented in Congress during the last four years, should not be entitled to representation again until, by concurrent action of both Houses, they should be entitled to representation.

Mr. TRIMBLE appealed from the decision of the Chair, and on motion of Mr. STEVENS the appeal was laid upon the table, 94 to 18.

PRINTING.

Mr. LATHAM, from the Committee on Printing, reported a resolution to print 2,500 extra copies of the report of the Committee on Manufactures for the use of the Committee and 500 for the use of the House. Adopted.

SOLDIERS' AND SAILORS' UNION.

The House proceeded to the consideration of business on the Speaker's table, and disposed of it as follows: The Senate amendment to the House Bill to incorporate the Soldiers' and Sailors' Union of Washington. Concurred in.

THE NATIONAL ORPHAN ASYLUM.

The Senate amendments to the House bill to incorporate the National Soldiers' and Sailors' Orphan Home. Concurred in.

POST ROADS.

The Senate amendment to the House bill to establish certain post roads.

Concurred in with amendments.

THE ADMISSION OF TENNESSEE.

The Senate amendments to the House joint resolution declaring Tennessee again entitled to Senators and Representatives.

Mr. BINGHAM moved concurrence in the amendments.

The amendments to the joint resolution were concurred in without division.

The amendment to the preamble was concurred in. Yeas 92, nays 25.

So the joint resolution has passed both Houses.

COMMUTATION OF RATIONS.

The Senate substitute for the joint resolution in regard to rations of Union soldiers held as prisoners of war.

On motion of Mr. WARD the substitute was concurred in.

THE DEFICIENCY BILL.

The House went into Committo on the Whole State of the Union.

Mr. DAWES in the Chair on the Deficiency Bill.

On motion of JOHN L. THOMAS, a paragraph was added, making the salary of the Deputy Solicitor of the Court of Claims the same as that of the Assistant Solicitor. The bill appropriates $450,000, including $100,000 for the Brazil mail steamship service, and $30,000 for the Navy Hospital at Washington, $25,000 for the removal of the State Department and $32,000 to pay a claim of MADISON SWEITZER. Pending action on the bill the House at 4:30 P. M. took a recess till 7:30 P. M.

EVENING SESSION.

FOREIGN AFFAIRS.

Mr. BANKS asked unanimous consent to have Thursday next assigned for the consideration of reports from the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

Mr. RANDALL, of Pennsylvania, asked him to name the subjects he would report upon.

Mr. BANKS replied that the reports to be submitted would be in reference to the invasion of Canada, the aid given to Mexico and the interest which the Government of the United States has in the assertion of what is denominated the Monroe Doctrine.

Mr. RANDALL, of Pennsylvania, objected, stating that his objection was to the Mexican loan.

Mr. BANKS asked permission to report on the subject of the neutrality laws and to have the report considered on Thursday next. It was granted.

Mr. BANKS then moved to suspend the rules in order to allow him to report on the Mexican Loan; but he subsequently withdrew the motion, seeing that there was no quorum present.

NEUTRALITY.

Mr. WENTWORTH offered a resolution requesting the Committee on Foreign Affairs to inquire into the expediency of reporting a bill applying the same regulations toward Fenian belligerents that the Government of Great Britain applied to the so-called Confederate in this country. It was adopted.

COMMITTEE OF WAYS AND MEANS.

Mr. MORRILL asked to have to-morrow, after the morning hour, assigned to the Committee of Ways and Means, for the bill to reorganize the Treasury, Post-office and Interior Departments.

Mr. ELDRIDGE objected, stating that the evident purpose of these motions was to protract the session.

RELIEF.

Mr. VAN AERNAM, from the Committee on Invalid Pensions, reported a bill to give FRANCIS COLGAN, late of Company B, Twelfth Wisconsin Volunteers, a pension on account of complete blindness. The bill was read three times and passed.

Mr. PRICE offered a resolution to postpone all other business and assign this evening to the Committees on the Pacific Railroad, and on Public Lands, which was rejected.

PATENT.

Mr. FERRY, from the Post-office Committee, reported a bill directing the Postmaster-General to pay $50,000 for his patent, to MARCUS B. NORTON, of New-York, for a postage canceling stamp.

Mr. MORRILL moved to lay it on the table.

Mr. FERRY, in view of there being no quorum present, and of there being a decided majority against the bill, withdrew it.

SENATE BILLS.

The House passed to the consideration of the business on the Speaker's table, and disposed thereof as follows:

The Senate bill, granting land to the State of Kansas to aid in the construction of the Kansas and Neosho Valley Railroad, and its extension to the Red River, was passed with amendments.

The Senate bill to pay JAMES P. JOHNSON $202 for services as Veterinary Surgeon of the Fourth Iowa Cavalry, was referred to the Committee on Claims.

The Senate bill to pay to the owners of the British ship *Magicienne* and of her cargo $8,645, for her unlawful seizure and detention by the United States ship *Onward*, was referred to the Committee of the Whole on the State of the Union.

The Senate Bill for the relief of the trustees and stewards of the Mission Church of the Wyandot Indians, was referred to the Committee of the Whole on the Private Calendar.

Mr. WINDOM explained that the church was destroyed in the "Border Ruffian" troubles in Kansas, and that the Government, which was bound by treaty stipulations to protect the Indians, had not done so.

SENATE BILLS.

The Senate bill to change the place of holding the Court of the Northern District of Georgia from Marietta to Atlanta, was passed.

The Senate bill to authorize the Trustees of Asbury Chapel, a colored church in Washington, to sell a lot of ground, was passed.

The Senate joint resolution to refer the claim of RICHARD W. MEADE, deceased, to the Court of Claims, was passed.

The Senate bill to incorporate the Washington Glass Company was referred to the Committee for the District of Columbia.

The Senate bill, to pay $1,025 on account of services as Inspector of Customs at Albany, from March, 1862, till April, 1863, was passed.

THE UNION PACIFIC RAILROAD.

The Senate bill, granting lands to the State of Kansas to aid in the construction of the Southern branch of the Union Pacific Railway and Telegraph, from Fort Riley to Fort Smith, Arkansas. Rejected. A motion to lay on the table a motion to reconsider the vote rejecting it, was lost—yeas 59, nays 58. The Spea

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BANKERS AND DEALERS IN GOVERNMENT SECURITIES.

Accounts solicited—4 per cent. interest allowed on daily balances—have removed to No. 14 Nassau-st., in our new marble block.

HOME INSURANCE COMPANY.

No. 135 BROADWAY, NEW-YORK, July 21, 1866.

Capital $2,001,000 00
Assets July 1, 1866 ..... 3,896,222 00
Liabilities July 1, 1866 ..... 130,386 13

The directors of the company have this day declared a semi-annual dividend of five per cent., free of Government tax, payable on demand.

JOHN McGEE, Secretary.

SEVEN PER CENT. FIRST MORTGAGE BONDS OF THE NORTH MISSOURI RAILROAD COMPANY.

We offer for sale the Seven Per Cent. First Mortgage Bonds of the North Missouri Railroad Company, having thirty years to run. Coupons payable in New-York on Jan. 1 and 7 July 1, in each year.

Before accepting the agency for sale of these bonds, we made careful inquiry into the resources and prospects of the road, which was examined by Mr. Wm. Milnor Roberts and others, on our behalf, and their highly satisfactory report enables us to recommend the bonds as first-class securities, and a safe and judicious investment.

The proceeds of these bonds ($6,000,000 in all) will be used in completing and equipping the road from Hannibal to North Missouri, to the Iowa State line, where it is to connect with the railroads of Iowa; and also westward to the junction with the Pacific Railroad (at Kingsworth) and other railroads leading up the Missouri River, so that this Mortgage of $6,000,000 will cover a complete and well-stocked road of 389 miles in length, netting at least $4,000,000, with a net annual revenue after the first year of over $1,500,000, or a sum nearly four times beyond the amount needed to pay the interest on these bonds, the income of the road of course increasing with time.

The Railroad connects the great City of St. Louis, with its 200,000 inhabitants, not only with the richest portions of Missouri, but with the States of Kansas and Iowa and the great Pacific Railroads.

To the first applicants we are prepared to sell $500,000 at the rate of 90 cents, desiring to obtain a larger price for the remainder. This will yield about 9 per cent. income and adds 20 per cent. to principal at maturity.

Any further inquiries will be answered at our office,

JAY, COOKE & CO.

LOAN FOR THE STATE OF LOUISIANA FOR ONE MILLION OF DOLLARS.

Proposals will be received up to 3 P. M. on Wednesday July 25, for one thousand bonds of the State of Louisiana of one thousand dollars each, payable in 1886, with interest at the rate of eight per cent. per annum. These bonds are issued in pursuance of an act of the Legislature of the State of Louisiana, approved 22d December, 1865, and for the purpose of providing money to defray the cost of rebuilding, under the supervision of a Board of Levee Commissioners, the levees on the Mississippi River, and reclaiming for cultivation extensive districts of country now overflowed by the cultivation of cotton and sugar. 4,683,124 acres of swamp lands, belonging to the State of Louisiana, are specially pledged as security for these bonds, and the proceeds arising from the sale of said lands are designated as a sinking Fund by law to pay interest on bonds, and as applicable to their redemption by purchase.

The debt proper of the State of Louisiana does not exceed four and a half millions of dollars, and the State has preserved an unstained reputation in respect to its public faith. Its resources are large, and its productions of great importance, and its bonds offer to investors of capital a certain and reliable security.

Applications for bonds can be made to the undersigned, at the banking house of Messrs. Winslow, Lanier & Co., No. 52 Wall-st.; but the rejection of bids is reserved.

TOBIAS GIBSON, Levee
ROBERT B. JONES, } Commissioners.
A. W. WALKER,

NEW-YORK, July 18, 1866.

PROPOSALS FOR $100,000 NEW AQUEDUCT STOCK OF THE CITY OF NEW-YORK.

Sealed proposals will be received at the Comptroller's Office until TUESDAY, July 24, 1866, at 2 o'clock P. M., when the same will be publicly opened, for the whole or any part of the sum of one hundred thousand dollars of New Aqueduct Stock of the City of New-York," authorized by Chapter 261, Laws of 1866.

The said stock will bear interest at the rate of six per cent. per annum, payable quarterly, and the principal will be redeemed on the first day of August, 1884, from the Sinking Fund fixed for the Redemption of the City Debt.

The proposals will state the amount of stock desired, and the price per one hundred dollars thereof, and the person or persons whose proposals are accepted will thereupon be required to deposit with the Chamberlain the sums awarded to them respectively.

On presenting to the Comptroller the receipts of the Chamberlain for such deposits, the parties will be entitled to receive certificates for equal amounts of the par value of the sums awarded to them, bearing interest from the dates of payments.

Each proposal should be sealed and indorsed "Proposals for New Aqueduct Stock of the City of New-York," and inclosed in a second envelope addressed to the Comptroller.

The right is reserved to reject any or all of the bids if the interests of the Corporation require it.

MATTHEW T. BRENNAN, Comptroller.

CITY OF NEW-YORK, DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE, COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, July 11, 1866.

CONTINENTAL INSURANCE COMPANY, NO. 102 BROADWAY, NEW-YORK, July 12, 1866.

The directors of this Company have this day declared a DIVIDEND OF THIRTY-THREE AND ONE-THIRD PER CENT. upon the premiums earned during the year ending with 30th June, ult., on all policies entitling the holders thereof to participate in the profits of the Company's business; and script therefor will be issued on the 20th of September.

ALSO,

A CASH DIVIDEND

for the payment in full of the SCRIP ISSUED IN 1865,

with six per cent. interest thereon, payable Aug. 10.

ALSO,

A CASH INTEREST DIVIDEND OF SIX PER CENT. on outstanding scrip for the years 1861, 1862, 1863, 1864 and 1865, payable 20th September.

Transfer-books to be closed from 1st to 20th September.

ALSO,

a semi-annual cash Dividend of SEVEN PER CENT. will be paid to the stockholders on and after Monday, 30th inst.

CEO. T. HOPE, President,
H. H. LAMPORT, Vice-President.
CHAS PECK, Secretary.

GRENVILLE WINTHROP. EUGENE WINTHROP

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AUGUST BELMONT & CO

BANKERS,

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issue letters of credit for travellers' use in Europe, through the Messrs. Rothschild, of Paris, London, Frankfort, Vienna, Naples, and their correspondents.

BROWN BROTHERS & CO.,

NO. 59 WALL-ST.

ISSUE COMMERCIAL AND TRAVELERS' CREDITS FOR USE IN THIS COUNTRY AND ABROAD

EXCHANGE FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, NEW-YORK, June 29, 1866.

AT THE ANNUAL ELECTION FOR DIRECTORS of the EXCHANGE FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, held on Wednesday, the 27th June, instant, the following named gentlemen were duly elected:

JAS. VAN NORDEN,	A. M. BININGER,
WM. K. THORN,	EDMUND HURRY,
JOHN T. B. MAXWELL,	DANIEL B. PIERSON,
JOHN S. BUTTS,	CHAS. BUTTS,
RICHARD F. CARMAN,	WM. P. COOLIDGE,
JOHN RANDALL,	WM. T. LONGWORTH,
ELISHA BROOKS,	RICHARD C. COMBES,
JOHN W. JAMAN,	JOHN L. PECK,
	JOHN G. GOTTSBERGER.

And at a subsequent meeting of the Board, held on the 28th June, JAMES VAN NORDEN, Esq., was elected President for the ensuing year.

RICHARD C. COMBES, Secretary.

FOR SALE—BROADWAY AND 7TH-AV. RAILROAD STOCK, PAYING THE PER CENT. DIVIDEND. ALSO, CITY RAILROAD BONDS. OTHER CITY RAILROAD STOCKS AND BONDS. ALSO, FIRE INSURANCE STOCKS. APPLY AT BROKERS' BOARD, 2 P. M. DAILY.

ALBERT A. NICOLL,
No. 2 Nassau-st., N. Y.

LOST—CERTIFICATE OF 50 SHARES QUICKsilver Mining Co., No. 4,371, name of J. Buchanan Henry. Transfer has been stopped. The finder will please return the same to C. R. MARVIN & CO., No. 17 William-st., New-York.

FOR SALE.—BEST NEW-YORK CITY RAILroad stocks at a great inducement to persons wishing good investments. Apply to S. R. JACOBS, No. 1 Newst., corner of Wall.

THIRD NATIONAL BANK OF NASHVILLE funds past due coupons of Tennessee bonds, without charge.

EDGAR JONES, Cashier.

LAND WARRANTS AND COLLEGE Land Scrip purchased and for sale by C. & G. WOODMAN, No. 64 Wall-st.

FINANCIAL.

VERMILYE & CO.,

NO. 44 WALL-ST.,

BANKERS AND DEALERS

IN

GOVERNMENT STOCKS

AND

COMPOUND INTEREST NOTES.

CLOSING PRICES.

NEW-YORK, July 23, 1866.

	Buy.	Sell.		Buy.	Sell.
Registered, '81...	109	109¼	June, 7-30.....	103½	103¾
Coupon, '81	109	109¼	July, 7-30.....	103½	103⅝
5-20 Regist'd, '62.	104¾	105	June, O.L.N't's, '64	112⅝	112⅞
5-20 Coupon, '62..	105⅝	106⅛	July, O.L.N't's, '64	112⅜	112⅝
5-20 Coupon, '64..	104⅝	105	Aug., O.L.N't's, '64	112⅛	112⅜
5-20 Coupon, '65..	104⅛	104¼	Oct., O.L.N't's, '64	111⅛	111⅜
10-40 Registered.	98⅛	98⅜	Dec., O.L.N't's, '64	110⅛	110⅜
10-40 Coupon.....	98⅜	98⅝	May, O.L.N't's, '65	108⅜	108⅝
Curr'cy Certifics.	105	105	Aug., O.L.N't's, '65	106⅛	106⅜
Gold.....	150⅝	150¾	Sept., O.L.N't's, '65	106⅛	106⅜
August, 7-30....	103¼	103½	Oct., O.L.N't's, '65	105⅝	105⅞

NO. 7 NEW-ST., NEAR WALL.

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Buy and sell on commission STOCKS, GOLD and U. S. SECURITIES.

Country bankers' accounts received on favorable terms.

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OFFICE OF THE TRUSTEES OF CREDITORS AND STOCKHOLDERS OF THE OHIO AND MISS. R. R. CO., (EASTERN DIVISION,)

No. 58 WALL-ST., NEW-YORK, July 2, 1866.

NOTICE.—A DECREE OF THE CIRCUIT Court of the United States for the Districts of Ohio and Indiana having been issued ordering the sale of the Ohio and Mississippi Railroad (Eastern Division,) on the 27th of September next, notice is hereby given that no stock, bonds or claims will be received into the trust after the 15th of September next.

ALLAN CAMPBELL, Chairman of the Trustees.

NOTICE.—A MEETING OF THE STOCKHOLders of the New-York and New-Haven Railroad Company will be held at Tyler's Hall, in the City of New-Haven, on the 8th day of August next, at 10 o'clock A. M., to consider and act upon a resolution of the General Assembly of Connecticut, approved June 30, 1866, authorizing the Company to issue ten thousand shares of capital stock of one hundred dollars each, to provide means to pay the bonds of said Company.

H. C. SCRANTON, President.

NEW-YORK, July 18, 1866.

HOLDERS OF THE FIRST MORTGAGE Bonds of the Indiana Central Railway Company, falling due on the 1st day of November next, are requested to furnish us on or before the 10th August proximo with their address and that of the amount of said bonds held by them.

WINSLOW, LANIER & CO.

COMMISSIONER FOR MASSACHUSETTS and other States—No. 6 Beekman-st., Room No. 4, first floor over Park Bank

DIVIDENDS.

DIVIDEND NOTICE.

DELAWARE AND RARITAN CANAL COMPANY AND CAMDEN AND AMBOY RAILROAD AND TRANSPORTATION COMPANY.

The Joint Board of Directors of the above companies have this day declared a dividend of Five (5) Per Cent. clear of tax, payable at New-York and Philadelphia on and after July 31, 1866.

Also, the stockholders of July 19, 1866, have the right of subscribing at par to new stock according to the conditions of a circular, which may be obtained when collecting this dividend. The right to subscribe is limited to Sept. 1, 1866, and will be one new share for four old shares. By order of the BOARD OF STOCKTON, Treasurer.

Dated at PRINCETON, N. J., July 19, 1866.

DIVIDEND.

NEW-JERSEY RAILROAD AND TRANSPORTATION CO., OFFICE NO. 2 NASSAU-ST., COR. WALL, NEW-YORK, July 18, 1866.

The Board of Directors of this company have declared a semi annual dividend of five per cent. free of Government tax, payable to the stockholders on and after Aug. 1. The transfer books will be closed from date till Aug. 2.

H. J. SOUTHMAYD, Treasurer.

TWENTY-FIFTH DIVIDEND.

OFFICE OF THE

MERCANTILE FIRE INS. CO.,

No. 166 BROADWAY, NEW-YORK, July 3, 1866.

The Board of Directors have this day declared a semiannual dividend of FIVE (5) per cent. (free of Government tax,) payable on and after MONDAY, the 9th inst.

WM. A. ANDERSON, Secretary.

DIVIDEND.

BROADWAY AND SEVENTH-AV. RAILROAD CO., July 21, 1866.

The Board of Directors of this Company have declared a semi-annual dividend of Five (5) Per Cent., payable to the stockholders on and after April 1, in the Company's Bank. The transfer books will be closed from date to the 3d of August.

THOMAS B. KERR, Secretary.

SURPLUS JULY 1, 1866.....$50,135 45

ASTOR FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY—DIVIDEND.

The Directors of this Company have declared a semiannual dividend of Five Per Cent., free of Government tax, payable on and after the 1st day of August next. The transfer-books will be closed from 24th inst. to 1st August.

JAMES H. RILLY, Secretary.

THIRTY-SECOND DIVIDEND.

The NIAGARA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY have declared a semi-annual dividend of FIVE PER CENT., free of tax, payable on and after MONDAY, the 16th inst.

P. NOTMAN, Secretary.

No. 12 WALL-ST., July 11, 1866.

THIRTEENTH DIVIDEND.

STANDARD FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, OFFICE NO. 17 WALL-ST., NEW-YORK, July 10, 1866.

A Semi-Annual Dividend of FIVE Per Cent., free of tax, has this day been declared, payable on demand.

WILLIAM M. ST. JOHN, Secretary.

OFFICE OF THE DELAWARE AND HUDSON CANAL, NEW-YORK, Thursday, July 12, 1866.

THE BOARD OF MANAGERS OF THIS Company have declared a semi-annual dividend of Eight (8) Per Cent. out of the profits of the Company, payable on and after the 1st day of August next, at their office. The transfer books will be closed on the 13th inst. and reopened from the 28th instant, both days inclusive.

By order of the Board.

ISAAC N. SEYMOUR, Treasurer.

OFFICE OF THE ILLINOIS CENTRAL RAILROAD CO., 21 PINE-ST., NEW-YORK, July 17, 1866.

AT A MEETING OF THE BOARD OF Directors of this Company, held this day, it was

Resolved, That a Dividend of Five Per Cent., in cash, free of Government tax, be paid on the 1st day of August next, to the holders of the full-paid shares registered on the 20th day of July, instant; and that the transfer books be closed on said 20th day of July and opened on the 3d day of August.

THOMAS E. WALKER, Treasurer.

CLEVELAND, COLUMBUS AND CINCINNATI RAILROAD COMPANY, CLEVELAND, July 16, 1866.

A DIVIDEND OF FOUR PER CENT. has been declared by this Company, payable Aug. 1 next, free of Government tax. Stockholders registered on the New-York books will be paid at the office of the United States Trust Company of New-York. The transfer-books will be closed from July 21 until Aug. 2.

By order of the Board of Directors.

GEO. H. RUSSELL, Treasurer.

OFFICE OF THE CLINTON FIRE INSURANCE CO., No. 156 Broadway.

DIVIDEND.—A DIVIDEND OF FIVE (5) PER cent. (free of tax) has been declared out of the profits of the last six months, payable on and after the 9th inst. Transfer-book closed until that date.

NEW-YORK, July 5, 1866.

JAS. B. AMES, Jr., Secretary.

RUTGERS FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, OFFICE NO. 43 CEDAR-ST., NEW-YORK, July 17, 1866.

DIVIDEND.—THIS COMPANY HAS DEclared a Semi-annual Dividend of Five per Cent., payable on the 1st of August next, to order.

E. B. FELLOWS, Secretary.

NEW-YORK, July 12, 1866.

IRVING SAVINGS INSTITUTION, No. 96 WARREN-ST.

DIVIDEND.—ON AND AFTER MONDAY, July 16, there will be paid on all sums entitled thereto the usual Semi-annual Dividend at the rate of Six and Five per Cent. per annum, free from Government tax. Bank open daily from 10 o'clock A. M. to 3 P. M.

WALTER W. CONKLIN, President.
VANDERBILT S. BUXTON, Secretary.

CORN EXCHANGE BANK, NEW-YORK, July 21, 1866.

The Board of Directors of this Company have declared a dividend of five (5) per cent. and the Government tax, payable on the 1st of August next. Transfer-books will be closed from the 23d inst. to 1st proximo.

W. A. FALLS, Cashier.

OFFICE OF THE BIGELOW BLUE STONE COMPANY, MALDEN, Ulster Co., N. Y., July 9, 1866.

THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES HAVE this day declared the regular Semi-annual Dividend of Five per Cent., payable on and after Aug. 1, 1866.

H. ROGARDUS, Secretary.

PARK FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, NEW-YORK, July 2, 1866.

TWENTY-FIRST DIVIDEND.—A DIVIDend of FIVE (5) PER CENT. has THIS DAY been declared, free of Government tax, payable on demand.

GEO. ALGER, Secretary.

OFFICE OF MANHATTAN INSURANCE COMPANY, No. 68 Wall-st., NEW-YORK, July 12, 1866.

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS HAVE this day declared a Semi-annual Dividend of Five (5) Per Cent., payable on demand.

GEO. B. HODGSON, Secretary.

PACIFIC NATIONAL BANK, NEW-YORK, July 13, 1866.

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS HAVE this day declared a DIVIDEND OF FIVE (5) PER CENT., free from Government tax, payable on and after the 1st day of August.

R. BUCK, Cashier.

SAVINGS BANKS.

SIX PER CENT. INTEREST,

FREE OF GOVERNMENT TAX.

THE BOWERY SAVINGS BANK,

No. 82 Nassau, near Fulton-st., New-York.

Interest on new deposits commences immediately on the 1st day of the month following the date of the deposit.

HENRY R. CONKLIN, Secretary.

NEW-YORK SAVINGS BANK, 8TH-AV., corner of 14th-st.—Six per cent. interest, free of tax. Deposits made on or before Aug. 1 will draw interest from July 1. THOMAS CHRISTY, President.

E. H. HULL, Secretary.

PERSONAL.

WALTER HUNT.—IF ANY OF THE FAMILY or workmen of the late WALTER HUNT, who obtained a patent for cloth-lined paper collars in 1834, will call or communicate with S. W. D. WARD, No. 327 Broadway, New-York, they will greatly oblige.

C. L. M.—RECEIVED ALL THE LETTERS, and is very happy. Leaves suddenly. Will write to W. by 1st August.

LARGE PAPER MILL WANTED—A mill with modern improvements and capacity to turn out three tons of printing paper per day. Fourdrinkier machine preferred, either water or steam power, convenient to New-York, or accessible by water or railroad. Address, with particulars, Box No. 1,796 Post-Office, New-York.

PROPOSALS.

PROPOSALS FOR SALE OF WOOD.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF WASHINGTON, OFFICE OF CHIEF QUARTERMASTER, WASHINGTON, D. C., July 14, 1866.

SEALED PROPOSALS are invited at this office until 12 o'clock noon, MONDAY, Aug. 6, 1866, for the purchase of (13,000) THIRTEEN THOUSAND CORDS OF GOVERNMENT WOOD, more or less, as follows:

(1,400) FOURTEEN HUNDRED CORDS at the Kendall Green Wood Yard, on the line of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad, about one mile from the depot of said road in this city.

This wood consists of about ONE-THIRD (⅓) PINE and TWO-THIRDS (⅔) OAK, and is piled immediately along the track of the railroad.

(11,600) ELEVEN THOUSAND SIX HUNDRED CORDS at the Wood Yard three-quarters of a mile north of Alexandria, on the line of the Washington, Alexandria and Georgetown Railroad.

This wood consists of about TWO-THIRDS (⅔) PINE and ONE-THIRD (⅓) OAK, is piled along the track, and is distant about one-half of a mile from a wharf on the Potomac River, leading to which there is a direct and level road.

All of the wood offered for sale is of good or fair quality, and thoroughly seasoned.

Proposals will be received for quantities from (50) Fifty Cords and upward, with privilege of taking all of either or both lots.

Payment to be made in Government funds, immediately after the opening of the bids and upon measurement of the wood.

The right is reserved of rejecting any or all proposals deemed disadvantageous to the United States.

M. L. LUDINGTON,
Colonel and Chief Quartermaster,
Department of Washington.

FRESH BEEF AND VEGETABLES.

NAVY DEPARTMENT, BUREAU OF PROVISIONS AND CLOTHING, July 16, 1866.

Sealed proposals, indorsed "Proposals for Fresh Beef and Vegetables," will be received at this Bureau until 2 o'clock P. M. on the 27th day of July, instant, for the supply of 200,000 pounds of fresh beef and 200,000 pounds of fresh vegetables, at the Brooklyn Navy-yard and Station, as required. The beef and vegetables must be of good quality and the best the market affords, and each article must be offered for by the pound. The beef to be in equal proportions, fore and hind quarters.

Bonds, with approved security, will be required in one-half the estimated amount of the contract, and 20 per cent. in addition will be withheld from the amount of each payment to be made, as collateral security for the due performance of the contract, which will on no account be paid until it is fully complied with.

Every offer made must be accompanied by a written guarantee, signed by one or more responsible persons, that the bidder or bidders will, if his or their bid be accepted, enter into an obligation within five days, with good and sufficient sureties, to furnish the articles proposed.

No proposal will be considered unless accompanied by such guarantee, and by satisfactory evidence that the bidder is a regular dealer in the articles proposed, and has the license required by act of Congress.

The Department reserves the right to reject any proposal not considered advantageous to the Government.

It is to be understood that in case the stipulated quantity of either article shall be delivered, leaving a balance due on the other article, the contract may be considered as completed in full at the option of the Department.

PLANS AND DESIGNS FOR A NEW CAPITOL,

AT ALBANY,

STATE OF NEW-YORK,

OFFICE OF "THE NEW CAPITOL COMMISSIONERS," ALBANY, July 13, 1866.

Architects are informed that Plans and Designs for a NEW CAPITOL, to be erected at Albany, will be received by the Commissioners, at their office, until the 15th day of November next, at noon. A printed statement of instructions and details, and of the premiums offered, will be furnished at the office of the Commissioners, on application in person or by post.

HAMILTON HARRIS, Albany,
JOHN V. L. PRUYN, Albany,
O. B. LATHAM, Seneca Falls,
Commissioners.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT, OFFICE OF SUPERVISING ARCHITECT, July 18, 1866.

SEALED PROPOSALS WILL BE RECeived at the office of Supervising Architect, Treasury Department, Washington, D. C., until Aug. 10, 1866, for furnishing and putting up heating apparatus for the Custom-houses at Dubuque, Iowa; Toledo, Ohio; Cleveland, Ohio; Pittsburgh, Penn.; Louisville, Ky.; and the Marine Hospital at Cleveland, Ohio.

The apparatus required may be of the hot-water system, steam, or both combined, as bidders may combine, and the bidders are required to furnish explicit descriptions or plans of the apparatus which they propose to put up, stating ratio of heating surface whether of corrugated iron, tubes, or plates, grate surface, &c. It must be of sufficient capacity and power to warm the rooms and keep them as a temperature of 78° during the coldest winter weather, and must be fully furnished and put up complete, including screens to coils, within a reasonable time from date of order, and be in perfect working condition when turned over to the proper officer.

The bids are to be per cubic foot of space actually heated, and must state time of completing the work.

Payments not exceeding 80 per centum of the work done, will be made upon certificates of authorized officers, the balance of 20 per centum will be retained until the efficiency of the apparatus has been tested and found satisfactory during one whole Winter season.

All bids must be accompanied by the bond of two responsible persons in the sum of $5,000, that the bidder will accept and perform the contract if awarded to him, the sufficiency of the security to be certified to by the Collector of Internal Revenue of the District.

The Department reserves the right to reject any or all the bids if it be deemed to the interest of the Government to do so, and no bid will be considered that does not conform to the requirements of this advertisement.

Proposals should be indorsed "Proposals for Heating Apparatus," and must be addressed to A. B. Mullett, Supervising Architect, Treasury Department, Washington, D. C.

Separate proposals may be made for each building if desired.

A. B. MULLETT,
Supervising Architect.

OFFICE OF THE STREET COMMISSIONER, No. 237 Broadway.

TO CONTRACTORS.—PROPOSALS INCLOsed in a sealed envelope, indorsed with the title of the work, and the name or names of the bidder or bidders, will be received at this office until Wednesday, July 25, 1866, at 11 o'clock A. M.,

For regulating, grading and curbing New-avenue, east and west.

For regulating, grading and curbing Thirty-fourth-street, between Seventh and Eleventh avenues.

For regulating, grading and curbing Eighth-avenue, between One Hundred and Twenty-fifth and One Hundred and Twenty-ninth streets.

For regulating, grading and curbing One Hundred and Twenty-third-street, between Third-avenue and Mount Morris-square.

For regulating, grading and curbing One Hundred and Nineteenth-street, between Fourth and Eighth avenues.

For regulating, grading and curbing Sixty-fourth-street, between Third and Fifth avenues.

For curbing, guttering and flagging Forty-ninth-street, between Ninth and Tenth avenues.

Blank forms of proposals, together with the specifications and agreements, can be obtained at this office.

Dated STREET DEPARTMENT, July 16, 1866.

CHARLES C. CORNELL,
Street Commissioner.

PAYMASTER'S OFFICE, U. S. NAVY, No. 200 F-st., WASHINGTON, D. C., July 17, 1866.

PROPOSALS FOR FURNISHING IRON AT THE WASHINGTON NAVY-YARD.—Separate sealed proposals, to be indorsed "Proposals for Iron Bar Iron," will be received at this office until SATURDAY, July 28, 1866, at 12 o'clock M., for the following articles, which are required for immediate use at Washington Navy-yard, viz:

200,000 (two hundred thousand) pounds chain links, 1¼ inch diameter and 15 inches long.

50,000 ninety thousand pounds chain links, 1⅝ inch diameter and 15¾ inches long.

40,000 (forty thousand) pounds chain links, 1 11-16 inch diameter and 13 inches long.

5,000 (five thousand) pounds 3¼ inch round bar iron refined.

2,000 (two thousand) pounds 2⅞ inch round bar iron refined.

1,500 fifteen hundred) pounds 2⅜ inch round bar iron refined.

2,000 (two thousand) pounds 2¼ inch round bar iron refined.

The above articles to be delivered at Washington Navy-yard, free of cost to the Government, for freight or transportation, subject to inspection, and at the risk and expense of the party furnishing.

Sufficient guarantee for prompt delivery will be required of successful bidders.

CALVIN C. JACKSON,
Paymaster United States Navy.

OFFICE CROTON AQUEDUCT BOARD,

TO CONTRACTORS.—SEALED PROPOSALS, indorsed "Proposals for building a Stone Tower, Engine House and Boiler House, at or near One Hundred and Seventy-third-street, near the High Bridge," together with the name of the bidder and date of its offering, will be received at this office until 10 o'clock A. M. of FRIDAY, the 3d day of August, 1866, at which time they will be publicly opened, for furnishing the necessary material and completing the construction of a stone tower, engine house and boiler-house at or near One Hundred and Seventy-third-street, near the High Bridge.

Plans and specifications, and all information, can be obtained on application to the Engineer's Office, High Bridge, where blank forms for bids can also be obtained. The amount of security required will be thirty-five thousand dollars.

THOMAS STEPHENS,
ROBERT L. DARRAGH, } Croton
A. W. CRAVEN, } Aqueduct Board.

CROTON AQUEDUCT DEPARTMENT, NEW-YORK, July 13, 1866.

TO IRON FOUNDERS.—SEALED PROPOsals will be received at this office, Rounsma, City Hall Park, until 11 o'clock A. M., of TUESDAY, the 24th day of July, 1866, for the supply of Cast Iron WATER PIPES, viz:

5,000 feet of Cast Iron Water Pipe, 12 inches internal diameter.

10,000 feet of Cast Iron Water Pipe, 6 inches internal diameter.

1,000 feet Cast Iron Water Pipe, 4 inches internal diameter.

Each proposal must be indorsed "Proposals for Cast Iron Water Pipes and Special Castings," together with the name of the bidder and date of its offering.

The amount of security required will be Ten Thousand Dollars.

Specifications and blank forms of bids can be had on application at this office.

THOS. STEPHENS,
ROBT. L. DARRAGH,
A. W. CRAVEN,
} Croton Aqueduct Board.

ASSISTANT QUARTERMASTER'S OFFICE, No. 18 STATE-ST., NEW-YORK CITY, July 16, 1866.

PROPOSALS ARE INVITED UNTIL MONDAY, the 23d inst. for the sale to the Quartermaster's Department of two yachts or sail-boats complete, of from 25 to 40 tons each.

The boats are to be well built, in good condition, and fitted in every respect for immediate use, and to be delivered in this City.

Terms of payment: Cash in current funds on delivery.

Persons proposing will state particularly what they will furnish beside the hull itself. Proposals to be marked "Proposals for Sail-boats," and addressed to the undersigned. By order of

Brevet Major-Gen. STEWART VAN VLIET,
Chief Quartermaster, D. E.

R. C. MORGAN, Brevet Major and A. Q. M.

CROTON AQUEDUCT DEPARTMENT, NEW-YORK, July 20, 1866.

TO BUILDERS.—SEALED PROPOSALS INdorsed "For Building a Receiving Reservoir-house in the Central Park near the Receiving Reservoirs," together with the name of the bidder and date of its offering, will be received at this office until 11 o'clock A. M. of TUESDAY, the 31st day of July, 1866, at which time they will be publicly opened, for furnishing the materials and building a dwelling-house in the Central Park near the Receiving Reservoirs. The amount of security required will be $5,000.

Plans and specifications can be seen on application to the Chief Engineer at this office, where blank forms of bids can also be obtained.

THOMAS STEPHENS,
ROBERT L. DARRAGH,
A. W. CRAVEN,
} Croton Aqueduct Board.

LOST AND FOUND.

FOUND—LAST EVENING, A MEDIUM-SIZED BAY MARE, short tail; also a BUGGY WAGON, nearly new, with the letter S on the side in gold leaf. The owner can have the same by proving property and paying charges, by applying to G. W. BERLEY, No. 117 East 16th-st., New-York.

TRUNK LOST—$35 REWARD—TRUNK marked "C. R. Blauvelt." Whoever will return said trunk and contents to No. 364 West 36th-st. will receive the above reward.

AUCTION SALES.

SALE OF GOVERNMENT STEAMERS AND VESSELS' EFFECTS.

DEPOT QUARTERMASTER'S OFFICE, BALTIMORE, Md., July 13, 1866.

Will be sold at Baltimore, Md., on Tuesday, July 24, 1866, at 10 o'clock A. M., at their anchorage, with all their stores, anchors, boats, &c., belonging to them now on board, viz.:

The JOHN ADAMS, side-wheel, double-end ferry-boat of 474 tons; length on deck 148 feet; breadth of beam 29 feet; over all 80 feet; depth of hold 11 feet 2 inches; draft 7 feet; has one low-pressure inclined engine; diameter of cylinder — inches; stroke of piston 9 feet; well found in all her outfits; hull good as new, but slight repairs required to machinery.

The ACHILLES, side-wheel steamer of 395 tons; length on deck 160 feet; breadth of beam 24 feet; over all 46 feet; depth of hold 6 feet; draft 5 feet; has one low-pressure beam engine; diameter of cylinder 51 inches; stroke of piston 10 feet; in good running order, with stores on board.

The MAYFLOWER, side-wheel steamer of about 400 tons; length on deck 164 feet; breadth of beam 23 feet; over all 45 feet; depth of hold 6 feet; draft 5 feet; has one low-pressure beam engine; diameter of cylinder 38 inches; stroke of piston 8 feet; in running order, with stores on board.

The ISLAND CITY, side-wheel steamer of 198 tons; length on deck 158 feet; breadth of beam 22 feet; over all 36 feet; depth of hold 5 feet; draft 3 feet; has one low-pressure beam engine; diameter of cylinder 36 inches; stroke of piston 9 feet; rebuilt at Baltimore in 1864; in running order, with stores on board.

The JOHN S. IDE, screw steamer of 135 tons; length on deck 135 feet; breadth of beam 22½ feet; depth of hold 7 feet; draft 4 feet 3 inches; has one high-pressure beam engine; diameter of cylinder 24 inches; stroke of piston 2 feet; capacity of cargo about 1,300 barrels; in fine condition and well found in all her outfits.

The above vessels are admirably adapted for light freights, and from their drawing but little water are fine market boats, now only sold for want of further use by the Government.

Terms cash, in Government funds, on the day of sale.

By order of the Quartermaster-General.

Colonel and Chief Quartermaster Middle Military Department.

ADREON, THOMAS & CO., Auctioneers.

ROBT. A. HAGGERTY, Auctioneer.

HAGGERTY & PHELPS, NO. 11 PINE-ST.

ASSISTANT QUARTERMASTER'S OFFICE, NO. 19 STATE-ST., NEW-YORK CITY, July 23, 1866.

By order of Brevet Major-Gen. Stewart Van Vliet, Chief Quartermaster, D. E., I will sell at public auction, at Battery Barracks, on FRIDAY, the 27th instant, at 9 o'clock, a large quantity of Quartermaster's stores, consisting in part of 25 coal-scuttles, one 3), 25, 45 and one 65-gallon cauldron kettl s, water-cans, dining-room and cast-iron cooking ranges, 21 empire ranges, 57 heating stoves, &c. Also, clothing, camp and garrison equipage as follows: 150 uniform hats, 17 uniform coats, 800 pairs shoulder scales, 177 pairs of pant-coat straps, 375 pairs mule bars, 184 spaces, 131 shovels, 196 axes, 438 camp-kettles, 230 mess-pans, 109 hatchets, 10 bugles, 102 drums, 270 pickaxes, knapsacks, haversacks, canteens, &c., &c. Also, 10 wall tents, flies and poles, 20 common tents and 4,393 shelter tents.

The above-named stores have all been condemned as unfit for Government use, but many good bargains may be had. Terms of sale cash, delivery and weighing by the auctioneer. For further particulars apply at the barracks or to the undersigned.

The Government reserves the right of declining all bids offered if they are considered unfair or disadvantageous.

R. C. MORGAN,
Brevet Major and A. Q. M.

JOHN H. DRAPER & CO., Auctioneers.

30,000 TONS OF SCRANTON COAL AT AUCTION, JULY 25, 1866.

NEW-YORK, July 17, 1866.

The Delaware, Lackawanna and Western Railroad Company will hold their FORTIETH AUCTION SALE OF COAL on WEDNESDAY, the 25th of July, 1866, at 12 o'clock no

SHIPPING.

NATIONAL STEAM NAVIGATION CO.
(Limited),
NEW-YORK TO LIVERPOOL,
Calling at Queenstown to land passengers.

Ships.	Tons.	Commanders.
ENGLAND	3,450	Grace.
SCOTLAND	3,698	Hall.
VIRGINIA	3,600	Prowse.
HELVETIA	3,315	Ogilvie.
THE QUEEN	3,517	Grogan.
ERIN	3,350	Cutting.
PENNSYLVANIA	2,872	Lewis.
LOUISIANA	2,168	Thompson
DENMARK	3,117	Thomson
FRANCE	3,200	(Building)

Leaving Pier No. 47, North River, as follows:
ENGLAND ..... SATURDAY, July 28
LOUISIANA ..... SATURDAY, Aug. 4
ERIN ..... SATURDAY, Aug. 11
AND EVERY SATURDAY THEREAFTER.

The size of these steamships admits of very spacious state-rooms, all opening directly into the saloon; the accommodations and fare are unsurpassed, and the rates lower than by any other line.

An experienced Surgeon on each ship free of charge.

Steerage passage tickets to bring parties from Liverpool or Queenstown, for $35 currency.

Cabin passage to Liverpool $100; Steerage, $30—payable in currency.

Drafts for any amount issued on any Bank in Great Britain and Ireland at the lowest rates.

The owners of these vessels will not be accountable for specie or valuables unless bills of lading, having their value expressed therein, are signed therefor.

For freight or cabin passage, apply at the office of the Company, No. 57 Broadway, and for steerage tickets at the passage office of the company, No. 27 Broadway, or No. 275 Pearl-st

F. W. J. HURST, Manager.

PANAMA, NEW-ZEALAND AND AUSTRALIAN ROYAL MAIL COMPANY.
OPENING OF STEAM COMMUNICATION BETWEEN NEW-YORK AND AUSTRALASIA
VIA PANAMA.

The service of the above Company will be commenced from Panama to Wellington, New-Zealand, on the 24th June, by the steamship KAKAIA, followed by the KAIKOURA on the 24th July.

Passengers and goods will be forwarded from Wellington to Auckland, Otago, Nelson, Canterbury, Sydney, Melbourne, and other parts of New-Zealand and Australia, by the Company's Inter-Colonial steamers.

Arrangements are in progress for the conveyance of passengers and goods, from New-York, at through fares and rates to all the principal ports in the Australasian Colonies.

The opening voyages of the Company's ships in connection with those of the Pacific Mail Steamship Company will be as follows:

OUTWARD.
From New-York, June 11.
From Panama, June 24.
From Wellington, N. Z., July 21.
Arriving at Sydney, July 29.

HOMEWARD.
From New-York to Wellington, 40 days.
From Panama to Wellington, 28 days.
To Sydney or Melbourne, 3 days additional.

HOMEWARD.
From Sydney, 31st May or June 1.
From Wellington, N. Z., June 8.
From Colombo, July 12.
Arriving at New-York, July 24.

TIME.
Wellington to New-York, 42 days.
Wellington to Panama, 28 days.
From sydney or Melbourne, 8 days additional.

The service will be continued monthly in unison with the foregoing dates.

Particulars of fares and freight on application to Pacific Mail Steamship Company, Office No. 59 Wall-st., New-York. WM. G. SEALY, Agent.
PANAMA, May 23, 1866.

ONLY DIRECT LINE TO FRANCE.

THE GENERAL TRANSATLANTIC COMPANY'S MAIL STEAMSHIPS BETWEEN NEW-YORK AND HAVRE, CALLING AT BREST.

The intermediate new vessels on this favorite route for the Continent will sail from Pier No. 50 North River, as follows:

PEREIRE ..... DUCHESNE ..... SATURDAY, July 28
VILLE DE PARIS ..... SURMONT ..... SATURDAY, Aug. 11
EUROPE ..... LAMARIE ..... SATURDAY, Aug. 25
NAPOLEON III. ..... BOCANDE ..... SATURDAY, Sept. 8

PRICE OF PASSAGE IN GOLD.
First cabin, $136; second cabin, $80, including table wine in either class.
The steamers of this line do not carry steerage passengers.
Passengers intending to land at Brest will be furnished here with railroad coupon tickets, and their baggage checked to Paris, at an additional charge of $5 for first and $3 for second class.
Medical attendance free of charge.
EXTRA STEAMERS, alternating with the mail line, and at lower rates, are appointed to sail for Havre direct, as follows:
VERA CRUZ..Capt. BELIARD ..... Saturday, Aug. 4
FAMPICO.....Capt GILBERT PIERRE. Saturday, Aug. 18
FLORIDE.....Capt. ..... Saturday, Sept. 15

RATES OF PASSAGE, IN GOLD.
Chief cabin, including wine $80
Steerage, with superior fare 40
For further information, apply to
GEO. MACKENZIE, Agent.
No. 58 Broadway.

STEAMER PEREIRE FOR BREST AND Havre will leave Pier No. 50 North River, foot of Morton-st, SATURDAY, July 28, at 7:30 A.M. precisely.
Passengers are requested to be on board at 7 o'clock at the latest.
The VILLE DE PARIS will follow the PEREIRE, and sail Aug. 11.

NOTICE TO PASSENGERS.
The steamship CITY OF PARIS, of the Inman Line, will sail from Pier No. 43 North River for Liverpool, calling at Queenstown, at 8 A. M. on SATURDAY, July 28. Passengers are requested to be on board at 7 A. M.
JOHN G. DALE, Agent, No. 15 Broadway.

STEAM TO LIVERPOOL CALLING AT Queenstown. The Inman Line, sailing semi-weekly, carrying the United States Mails
KANGAROO ..... WEDNESDAY ..... July 25
CITY PARIS ..... SATURDAY ..... July 28
CITY OF LIMERICK ..... WEDNESDAY ..... Aug. 1
CITY OF NEW-YORK ..... SATURDAY ..... Aug. 4
CITY OF LONDON ..... SATURDAY ..... Aug. 11
and each succeeding SATURDAY and WEDNESDAY, at noon, from Pier No. 44 North River.

RATES OF PASSAGE,
BY THE MAIL STEAMERS SAILING EVERY SATURDAY.
First Cabin ..... $90 Steerage $30
First Cabin to London ..... 95 Steerage to London 34
First Cabin to Paris ..... 105 Steerage to Paris 40
PAYABLE IN GOLD.

Passage by the Wednesday's steamers: First cabin, $100; steerage, $35. Payable in United States currency.
Steerage passage also forwarded to Havre, Hamburg, Bremen, &c., at moderate rates.
Steerage passage from Liverpool or Queenstown, $30, gold, for which tickets can be bought here by persons sending for their friends.
For further information apply at the Company's Offices.
JOHN G. DALE, Agent. No. 15 Broadway, New-York.

THE BRITISH AND NORTH AMERICAN ROYAL MAIL STEAMSHIPS.
BETWEEN NEW-YORK AND LIVERPOOL, CALLING AT CORK HARBOR.
AND
BETWEEN BOSTON AND LIVERPOOL, CALLING AT HALIFAX AND CORK HARBOR.

PERSIA leaves New-York Wednesday, July 25.
AFRICA leaves Boston Wednesday, August 1.
SCOTIA leaves New-York Wednesday, August 8.
CHINA leaves Boston Wednesday, Aug. 15.
JAVA leaves New-York Wednesday, Aug. 22.
CUBA leaves Boston Wednesday, Aug. 29.

FROM NEW-YORK TO LIVERPOOL.
Chief Cabin Passage $132 50
Second Cabin Passage 80 00

FROM BOSTON TO LIVERPOOL.
Chief Cabin Passage $112 50
Second Cabin Passage 65 00
Payable in gold, or its equivalent in United States currency.
Berths not secured until paid for.
An experienced surgeon on board.
The owners of these ships will not be accountable for Specie or Valuables unless bills of lading, having the value expressed, are signed therefor.
For freight or passage, apply to
E. CUNARD, No. 4 Bowling-green.

ROYAL MAIL STEAMSHIP PERSIA FOR LIVERPOOL.—The PERSIA, E. J. LOTT, Commander, will sail from the stream on WEDNESDAY next, 25th inst.
A steamboat will ply between the Company's Wharf, at Jersey City, and the PERSIA from 10:30 to 11:30 A. M., to convey passengers and baggage on board.
None but passengers will be allowed on board.
The SCOTIA will sail on the 8th of August.
E. CUNARD, No. 4 Bowling-green.

GREAT REDUCTION
IN PRICE OF PASSAGE TO EUROPE
BY THE
ONLY AMERICAN LINE TO ENGLAND AND FRANCE.

The New-York and Havre Steamship Company's first-class steamships ARAGO, FULTON, and LAFAYETTE, having been thoroughly refitted, will leave Pier No. 37 North River for Havre, calling at Falmouth, on the following days, noon, precisely,
FULTON, S. SAMUELS ..... Saturday, Aug. 4, 1866.
ARAGO, HENRY A. GARDEN ..... Saturday, Sept. 1, 1866.
FULTON, S. SAMUELS ..... Saturday, Sept. 29, 1866.
LAFAYETTE, A. GARDEN ..... Saturday, Oct. 27, 1866.
FULTON, S. SAMUELS ..... Saturday, Nov. 24, 1866.
And every twenty-eight days thereafter.

PRICES OF PASSAGE PAYABLE IN GOLD
FIRST-CLASS:
Main Saloon ..... $140 | Fore Saloon $80
Second class..$50.
An experienced surgeon on board.
The company are not responsible for specie or valuables unless bills of lading, having the value expressed, are signed therefor.
J. J. COMSTOCK, Agent,
No. 7 Broadway, New-York.
JAMES A. WOTTON, Havre, General Agent in Europe.
SHERBETTE KANE & CO., Agents in Paris.

THE NORTH AMERICAN LLOYD.
ONLY AMERICAN LINE OF FIRST-CLASS OCEAN STEAMERS
Between NEW-YORK and BREMEN via COWES, carrying the U. S. Mails, taking passengers to England, France and Germany. Leave New-York, from Pier No. 46 North River, on THURSDAYS:
BALTIC, A. G. JONES, Commander, 3,000 tons, 1,600 horse power ..... 9th August.
WESTERN METROPOLIS, H. SAMPSON, Commander, 2,600 tons, 1,600 horse power...18th Aug't.
ATLANTIC, C. HOXER, Commander, 3,000 tons. 6th Sept.
RATES OF PASSAGE, payable in gold, or its equivalent in currency, from NEW-YORK TO BREMEN, Havre, London and Southampton:
First cabin, $105; second cabin, $62 50; steerage, $37 50.
FROM BREMEN, TO NEW-YORK:
First cabin, $112; second cabin, $80; steerage, $45.
RETURN TICKETS: First cabin, $205; second cabin, $132 50; steerage, $77 50.
For freight or passage apply to
RUGER BROS., General Agents,
No. 45 Beaver-st.

LONDON AND NEW-YORK STEAMSHIP LINE.
Passage to London, direct, $90, $60 and $30, payable in currency.
Passage from London, $90, $60 and $30, payable in gold.
BELLONA, Capt. DIXON, from New-York, Aug. 1.
CELLA, Capt. GLEADELL, from New-York, Aug. 11.
WM. PENN, Capt. BILLINGS, from New-York, Aug. 25.
ATALANTA, Capt. PINKHAM, from New-York, September 8.
The elegant British iron steamship BELLONA, 3,000 tons, will sail for London direct on WEDNESDAY, August 1, at noon, from Pier No. 3, North River.
For passage apply to CHAS. A. WHITNEY, No. 26 Broadway.
For freight apply at No. 54 South-st.
HOWLAND & ASPINWALL, Agents.

FROM NEW-YORK TO LIVERPOOL,
calling at Queenstown.—A extra Cunard steamer will sail every WEDNESDAY.
MARATHON ..... WEDNESDAY, July 25.
MALTA ..... WEDNESDAY, Aug. 8.
PALMYRA ..... WEDNESDAY, Aug. 8.
These steamers have very fine accommodations for a few cabin passengers.
Passage money $100, gold or its equivalent.
For freight or passage, apply to
E. CUNARD, No. 4 Bowling-green.

PASSAGE TO AND FROM GREAT BRITAIN and IRELAND by
TAPSCOTT'S
favorite lines of LONDON and LIVERPOOL PACKETS, sailing every week. Parties wishing to send for their friends or remit money to the Old Country can do so on the most favorable terms by applying to
TAPSCOTT, BROTHERS & CO.,
No. 66 South-st.

FOR HAVANA DIRECT.
The favorite side-wheel steamship COLUMBIA, D. B. BARTON, Commander, will sail WEDNESDAY, Aug. 1, punctually, at 3 o'clock, from Pier No. 4 North River.
For freight or passage apply to
GARRISON & ALLEN, Agents, 5 Bowling-green.

SHIPPING.

FOR ST. THOMAS AND BRAZIL.
The United States and Brazil Mail Steamship Company will dispatch the elegant side-wheel steamship NORTH AMERICA, J. TINKHAM, Commander, for Rio de Janeiro and intermediate ports, on
SATURDAY, July 21,
at 3 o'clock P. M., from Pier No. 43 North River.
For freight or passage apply to
GARRISON & ALLEN, Agents,
No. 5 Bowling-green.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY'S THROUGH LINE
TO CALIFORNIA,
CARRYING UNITED STATES MAIL,
VIA PANAMA RAILROAD.

Steamers leave Pier No. 43 North River, foot of Canal-st., at 12 o'clock, noon, as follows:
AUGUST 1.—NORTHERN LIGHT, Capt. GRAY, connecting with GOLDEN AGE, Capt. LAPIDGE.
AUGUST 11.—ARIZONA, Capt. MAURY, connecting with CONSTITUTION, Capt. FARNSWORTH.
AUGUST 21.—HENRY CHAUNCEY, Capt. GRAY, connecting with GOLDEN CITY, Capt. WATKINS.

All departures touch at Acapulco; those of 1st and 21st connect at Panama with steamers for South Pacific ports; 1st and 11th for Central American Ports, and those of 1st touch at Manzanillo.

150 pounds baggage allowed each adult. Medicines and attendance free.

For passage tickets and all further information apply at the office on the wharf, foot of Canal-st., North River, New-York. S.C.K. HOLMAN, Agent.

FOR CALIFORNIA VIA PANAMA.
The Pacific Mail Steamship Company's Steamer CHAMPION will be dispatched in a few days for Aspinwall.
Freight by this ship will reach San Francisco at the same time as the "slow" freight, ex NEW-YORK today.
For further particulars inquire at the freight office, Pier No. 42 North River, or at No. 81 Broadway.

FOR GALVESTON, TEXAS,
DIRECT.
The new Steamship
TYBEE,
ISAAC CROWELL, Commander,
will leave Pier No. 4 North River, on SATURDAY, July 28, at 3 o'clock P. M. precisely for Galveston direct.
For freight or passage, having superior accommodations, apply to
SPOFFORD, TILESTON & CO.,
No. 10 Broadway.

FOR NORFOLK, CITY POINT AND RICHMOND.
The new and elegant SIDE-WHEEL steamships HATTERAS, Capt. L. PARISH, every SATURDAY, at 12 M.
ALBEMARLE, Capt. H. A. BOURNE, every WEDNESDAY, at 12 M.
FROM PIER NO. 36 NORTH RIVER.
For freight or passage, having unsurpassed accommodations. Apply to LIVINGSTON, FOX & CO.,
No. 88 Liberty-st.

FOR RICHMOND NORFOLK AND CITY POINT.
The OLD LINE, from Pier No. 21, North River.
NIAGARA, Capt. COUCH,
EVERY SATURDAY, at 3 P. M.
SARATOGA, Capt. KING,
EVERY TUESDAY, at 3 P. M.
G. HEINEKEN & PALMORE,
No. 115 Broadway.
Agents New-York and Virginia Steamship Co.

FOR SAVANNAH, GA.
ATLANTIC COAST MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.
WEEKLY LINE.
PASSENGER SIDE-WHEEL STEAMERS.
HERMAN LIVINGSTON ..... Capt. J. B. BAKER.
GEN. BARNES ..... Capt. THOS. H. MORTON.

FREIGHT AT LOWEST RATES.
Cabin passage $20
The favorite passenger steamship
FLAMBEAU,
will leave on THURSDAY, July 26, at 3 o'clock P. M., precisely, from Pier No. 36 North River.
For freight or passage, having splendid accommodations, apply to LIVINGSTON, FOX & CO., Agents,
No. 88 Liberty-st.
Agents in Savannah,
WILDER & FULLARTON.

EMPIRE LINE FOR SAVANNAH.—THE elegant, fast steamship MONTEKEY will sail for Savannah direct, from Pier No. 13 North River, SATURDAY, July 28, punctually at 3 P. M. For freight or passage, having elegant accommodations, apply to
GARRISON & ALLEN, Agents, No. 5 Bowling-green.

FOR CHARLESTON S.C.
PEOPLE'S MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.
FIRST CABIN PASSAGE ..... THIRTY DOLLARS.
EMILY B. SOUDER ..... Capt. H. LOCKWOOD.
MOSES TAYLOR ..... Capt. C. MARSHMAN.
The above splendid steamships will leave every THURSDAY, at 3 P. M., from Pier No. 36 North River, invariably landing cargo at Charleston on Monday morning.
The new and elegant steamship
EMILY B. SOUDER,
will leave on THURSDAY, July 26, at 3 o'clock P. M.
For freight or passage, with unsurpassed accommodation, apply to
LIVINGSTON, FOX & CO., No. 88 Liberty-st.
Consignees at Charleston, ARCHIBALD, GETTY & CO. All bills of lading signed on board the vessel.

FOR CHARLESTON, S. C.—REGULAR LINE —Pier No. 14 East River, foot of Wall-st. The A 1 very fast steamship GRANADA will sail on SATURDAY, July 28, at 3 P. M. Unsurpassed accommodations for passengers.
ARTHUR LEARY, No. 73 William-st.

FOR NEW-ORLEANS DIRECT.
The New-York Mail Steamship Company's steamship MARIPOSA will leave on SATURDAY, July 28, at 3 P. M., from the Company's pier, No. 46 North River.
For freight or passage apply at the Company's office, No. 10 Barclay-st.

UNITED STATES PASSPORT BUREAU.—United States passports, indispensable to travelers, issued by J. B. NONES, Passport Agent, No. 262 Broadway.

RAILROADS.

WHITE MOUNTAINS, LAKES MEMPHREMAGOG AND WILLOUGHBY
(The finest lake scenery in the United States.)
VIA CONNECTICUT RIVER VALLEY.
70 MILES BY RAILROAD LESS THAN ANY OTHER ROUTE.
Leave New-York via New-Haven Railroad at 12:15, (noon,) 3 or 8 P. M., or by New-Haven Steamer, Peck Slip, at 3:15 P. M.
On Saturday the 12:15 train (sleeping cars attached) goes through to the Lake without stop.
Maps and particulars in Appleton's Railway Guide and Burr's Guide of Connecticut River Valley.

HUDSON RIVER AND HARLEM RAILROADS. On and after MONDAY, May 28, 1866, trains for Albany and Troy, connecting with Northern and Western trains, will leave New-York as follows:
7:45 A. M. Express train via Hudson River Railroad, 30th-st. and 10th-av., through to Buffalo and Suspension Bridge without change of cars, and connecting at Troy with trains for Rutland, Burlington and Montreal.
8 A. M. Mail train via Hudson River Railroad, connecting at Albany with Western trains, and at Troy with trains for North.
9 A. M. Express train via Harlem Railroad, 26th-st. and 4th-av., connecting at Chatham with Western Railroad for Lebanon Springs, Pittsfield, etc.; at Albany with trains for West, and at Troy with trains for Saratoga Springs, Rutland, Burlington and Montreal.
4 P. M. Express train via Hudson River Railroad, connecting at Albany with trains for West, and at Troy with trains for North, with sleeping-car attached.
5 P. M. Express train via Harlem Railroad, connecting at Chatham with Western Road for Lebanon Springs and Pittsfield; at Albany with trains for West, and at Troy with trains for Rutland, Burlington and Montreal.
7 P. M. Express train via Hudson River Railroad, with sleeping-cars attached, and through to Buffalo and Suspension Bridge without change of cars. Sleeping cars run every day excepting Saturdays attached from New-York through to Ogdensburgh without change, via Rome, Watertown and Potsdam Railroad. This train will run on Sundays. Connection for Troy will be made at East Albany.
11 P. M. Train via Hudson River Railroad, with sleeping-car attached, arriving at Albany and Troy in the morning, and connecting with trains for North and West.
WM. H. VANDERBILT, Vice-President.

RARITAN AND DELAWARE BAY RAILROAD COMPANY.—On and after FRIDAY, June 1, the JESSE HOYT, passenger boat of this road, will leave Pier No. 32 North River, foot of Duane-st., and connect at Port Monmouth with trains for the following points on the Road:
11 A. M. Express Line for Philadelphia direct, taking passengers to Red Bank, Long Branch, Farmingdale, Point Pleasant, Brickaburgh, Manchester, Toms River, Woodmansie, Barnegat, Shamong, Tuckerton, Atsion, Jackson, and all stations on the Camden and Atlantic Railroad. Through to Camden in five hours. Fare $2.
4 P. M. from Pier No. 32, and 4:15 P. M. from Pier No. 3, for Port Monmouth, Highlands, Middletown, Shrewsbury, Eatontown, Oceanport, Branchport, Long Branch, Shark River, Squan, Farmingdale, Point Pleasant, Squankum, Brickaburgh, Manchester, Toms River and Camden. Fare $2.
The Freight Boat leaves at 5 P. M. for all points on the line and Camden.
RETURNING TRAINS LEAVE CAMDEN:
Express at 9:20 A. M., arriving in New-York at 2:15 P. M.
Freight at 3:20 P. M., arriving in New-York at 4 A. M.
Way Passenger at 2:30 A. M., arriving in New-York at 9:30 A. M., and stopping at Pier No. 3 North River.
N. B.—All baggage must be delivered at Pier No. 32, as none will be received at Pier No. 3.
W. N. CLAYTON, Supt.

ERIE RAILWAY.—TRAINS LEAVE DEPOT foot of Chambers-st., Pavonia Ferry:
7:45 A.M.—Day Express for Rochester, Buffalo, Salamanca, Dunkirk and all points West and South.
8:30 A.M.—Way Train daily to Otisville.
10 A.M.—Express Mail, Buffalo, Salamanca and West.
3 P.M.—Accommodation Train, for Middletown.
4:30 P.M.—Way, for Port Jervis, Newburgh, Warwick.
5:30 P.M.—Night Express, Buffalo, Salamanca and Dunkirk.
7 P.M.—Lightning Express, daily, for Buffalo, Salamanca, Dunkirk, and all points West and South.
8 P.M.—Emigrant Train, daily, for the West.
Express trains run in direct connection with all Southern and Western lines.
W. R. BARR, Gen'l Sup't. H. RIDDLE, Gen'l Pass. Agent.

LONG ISLAND RAILROAD—SPRING TIME TABLE FROM MAY 7.
Leave James-slip, New-York:
8 A. M., for Greenport and way stations.
10:30 A. M., for Syosset and way stations.
3:30 P. M., Express train, for Greenport.
4:30 P. M., for Syosset and way stations.
5:30 P. M., for North Islip and way stations, and on Saturday night to Yaphank.

NORTHERN RAILROAD OF NEW-JERSEY Trains leave Jersey City for Piermont at 5:00 and 9:12 A. M. and 1:15, 4:24, 5:23 and 6:26 P. M. Saturdays only at 11:15 P. M. The 9:12, 4:22, and 6:26 run through to Monsey.
THOMAS W. DEMAREST, Superintendent.

MARBLE MANTELS.

MARBLE MANTELS, FLOOR-TILING monuments, headstones, &c., can be purchased at wholesale prices from a large and well-assorted stock.
FISHER & BIRD, Steam Marble Works,
Nos. 97 to 103 East Houston-st.

MARBLE MANTELS—THE BEST PLACE in the City to purchase Marble Mantels of the latest designs at very low prices, is at A. KLAEBER'S Marble Works, No. 156 East 13th-st., near 2d-av., New-York; mantles put up in the country. Cut this out.

MARBLEIZED SLATE MANTELS—Superior in appearance, more durable, and at half the price of marble. T. S. STEWART, No. 805 6th-av., between 50th and 49th sts., New-York.

STEAMBOATS.

SUMMER ARRANGEMENT.
LONG BRANCH AND SEABSHORE RAILROAD.
The new and commodious steamer,
WILLIAM COOK,
Capt. I. F. FRAZEE, will leave the south side of the Pier at the foot of Barclay-st., daily, Sundays excepted, as 10 A. M. and 4 P. M., and Pier No. 1 North River, at 4:15 P. M.
Returning the Baggage and Way Line will leave Long Branch at 7:10 A. M., 1:30 P. M. express, and 7 P. M. express, 7:10 A. M. and 1 P. M., stopping at Atlanticville, Pumping Point, and Highland Stations.
The express train will leave at 7:30 A. M., and go through without stopping. The 7:30 A. M. train from Long Branch, and the 4 P. M. line from New-York connect with stages for Deal, Shark River and Squan. No baggage received on the boat at Pier No. 1.
Baggage delivered in any part of the City.
M. PAUL, Superintendent.

THE OLD LINE
FOR ORIENT POINT, ORIENT, GREENPORT AND SAG HARBOR.
The new and elegant steamer ARTISAN, Capt. G. C. Ginns, leaves Pier No. 43, (foot of Rutgers-st.,) East River, for the above places, TUESDAYS, THURSDAYS and SATURDAYS, at 5 o'clock P. M. Returning, leaves Sag Harbor MONDAYS, WEDNESDAYS and FRIDAYS, at 4 o'clock P. M. Passengers by this line will be forwarded to Bridgehampton, East Hampton and Southampton free of charge. Staterooms can be engaged in advance upon application to the clerk on board, or to WILLIAMS BROTHERS, No. 5 Beekman-st.

1866.—CHANGE OF TIME.—1866.—THE Lower Hudson Steamboat Company's daily line (Sanford's Inside Route) between New-York and Sing Sing, landing at Yonkers, Hastings, Irvington and Tarrytown. The new and splendid steamers SUNNYSIDE and SLEEPY HOLLOW leave foot of Chambers-st. at 4 and 5 o'clock P. M.

TIME TABLE.

SUNNYSIDE.	Leaves.	Return.	SLEEPY HOLLOW.	Leaves.	Return.
Chambers-st	5:00	9:45	Chambers-st.	4:00	9:00
Yonkers	5:35	9:10	Yonkers	4:35	8:05
Hastings	6:15	8:30	Irvington	5:20	7:40
Irving	6:30	8:15	Tarrytown	5:35	7:25
Tarrytown	6:45	8:00	Sing Sing	6:15	6:45
Sing Sing	7:15	7:30			

The SLEEPY HOLLOW will run to Grassy Point until further notice, arriving at 6:45 P. M., and leaving at 6:30 A. M. daily. Takes effect on and after MONDAY MORNING, July 23.

JULY, 1866.—SHREWSBURY, LONG BRANCH and Red Bank. Fare 25 cents. The new and splendid steamer NELLY WHITE, Capt. WM. F. CONOVER, having passenger accommodations and speed superior to any boat ever on this route, will run from the short pier, foot of Barclay-st., in place of steamer META, as follows:

LEAVE NEW-YORK.	LEAVE RED BANK.
Friday, July 20, 9 A. M.	Friday, July 20, 12½ P. M.
Saturday, July 21, 2 P. M.	Sunday, July 22, 3 A. M.
Sunday, July 22, 8½ A. M.	Sunday, July 22, 3½ P. M.
Monday, July 23, 12 P. M.	Monday, July 23, 3½ P. M.
Tuesday, July 24, 11½ A. M.	Tuesday, July 24, 3 P. M.
Wednesday, July 25, 2½ A. M.	Wednesday, July 25, 6½ A. M.
Wednesday, July 25, 3 P. M.	Thursday, July 26, 8½ A. M.
Thursday, July 26, 10½ P. M.	Friday, July 27, 6½ A. M.
Friday, July 27, 3½ P. M.	Saturday, July 28, 6½ A. M.
Saturday, July 28, 3½ P. M.	Saturday, July 28, 6½ P. M.
Sunday, July 29, 3½ P. M.	Sunday, July 29, 6½ A. M.
Sunday, July 29, 7 P. M.	Monday, July 30, 6½ A. M.
Monday, July 30, 4 P. M.	Tuesday, July 31, 6½ A. M.
Tuesday, July 31, 4 P. M.	

JULY, 1866.—SHREWSBURY, LONG BRANCH, Sandy Hook, Highlands, Fort Washington, Mount's and Brown's Dock, Fairhaven and Red Bank.—On and after Friday, 20, the fare will be 10 cents, except on Sundays (when it will be 25 cents). Freight on light barrels, 12½c.; tight barrels, 20c. The new and fast steamboat SEA BIRD, Capt. H. B. PARKER, having been built expressly for this port, will leave pier foot of Chambers-st. as follows:

LEAVE NEW-YORK.	LEAVE RED BANK.
Saturday, July 21, 4 P. M.	Saturday, July 21, 6 P. M.
Sunday, July 22, 9 A. M.	Sunday, July 22, 3½ P. M.
Monday, July 23, 12 P. M.	Monday, July 23, 3½ P. M.
Tuesday, July 24, 1 P. M.	Tuesday, July 24, 4½ P. M.

Accommodations for passengers and wagons.

FOR NORWALK DIRECT—CONNECTING with the Danbury Railroad. The new swift steamboat SEVERSINK leaves Pier No. 37 East River (foot of Market-st.) EVERY AFTERNOON at 3 o'clock. Returning, leaves Norwalk at 7:45 A. M., on arrival of railroad trains. Through in three hours. Fare 75 cents; excursion tickets $1 25.

REDUCTION OF FARE. WESTWARD, VIA DAY LINE OF STEAMERS.—Daily from foot of Desbrosses-st. at 7:45 A. M. and 3 P. M., and New-York Central Railroad from Albany.

New-York to Montreal	$11 40
New-York to Saratoga	3 05
New-York to Niagara	9 05
New-York to Rochester	6 72
New-York to Buffalo, Suspension Bridge, or via Falls	8 25

TROY EVENING LINE FOR ALBANY AND TROY AT 6 P. M.—Fare reduced to $1; $2 45 to Saratoga, every day except Saturday; fare on Sunday, $2. Steamer CITY OF HUDSON, and RIP VAN WINKLE from Harrison-st. Pier, connecting with the New-York Central, West, and checking baggage and ticketing to all points north.

FOR SAGERTIES—LANDING AT RHINEbeck, Barrytown and Tivoli. The st-amer ANSONIA will leave foot of Beach-st. every MONDAY, WEDNESDAY and FRIDAY, at 5 P. M. Returning leaves Saugerties every TUESDAY, THURSDAY and SATURDAY, at 5 P. M. Conveyances to be had from the landing to the Catskill Mountain House.

FOR PROVIDENCE DIRECT—THE NEW side-wheel steamer CITY OF PROVIDENCE, Capt. GEO. B. HULL, will leave Pier No. 35 North River, every WEDNESDAY and SATURDAY, at 5 P. M. For freight or passage apply on board, or to E. PHILLIPS, No. 216 Franklin-st.

CITY ISLAND, NEW-ROCHELLE AND MAMARONECK.—The fast steamer MATTANO, Capt. MANIE, leaves Rutgers-slip, East River, daily, at 9 P. M. Returning, leaves mamaroneck at 6 A. M., reaches the City at 9:15 A. M. Fare each way 40 cents.

FOR NEWBURGH, WEST POINT, Poughkeepsie, Rondout and Kingston, landing at Cozzens' Dock, Cornwall, New-Hamburgh and Milton.—The steamer HARRY HILL, leaves Desbrosses-st. EVERY AFTERNOON, at 3½ o'clock.

OYSTER BAY, HUNTINGTON AND NORTHPORT.—On and after June 23, the fast steamer D. R. MARTIN will leave Peck-slip daily at 3:45 o'clock P. M., for the above ports. Returning will reach the City in the morning at 9:20.

FOR NEW-HAVEN, HARTFORD AND WHITE MOUNTAINS—Steamers leave Peck-slip for New-Haven at 3:15 and 11 P. M. connecting with railroad.

FOR SALE—STEAMER HENRY BURDEN, IN good order; 568 tons burden; beam engine, furniture and tackle complete. Apply to WM. W. WALLACE, No. 131 Washington-st.

EXCURSIONS.

SOIREE MUSICALE ET DANSANTE.
ANNUAL MOONLIGHT EXCURSION
OF THE
NEW-YORK MENDELSSOHN UNION,
TUESDAY EVENING, July 31, 1866,
The steamer CHICOPEE and barge will leave the foot of Christopher-st., at 6 P. M. precisely.
Tickets admitting lady and gentleman $3
Tickets admitting gentleman 2
Tickets admitting one lady 1
Can be had of L. F. Harrison, Irving Hall; C. A. Munger, No. 626 Broadway; C. E. L. Brinkerhoff, No. 58 Dey-st.
WM. BERGE ..... Conductor
THEO. THOMAS ..... Musical Director
W. H. ALLEN, WM. BERGE, } Committee
T. C. DENISON, and after } of
C. E. L. BRINKERHOFF, } Arrangements.
L. F. HARRISON,

DAILY EXCURSION
TO LONG BRANCH AND RETURN,
THE SAME DAY,
Giving pass engers about five hours at Long Branch.
NEW LINE.
On and after Thursday, July 19, the steamboat
META
will leave the Pier, south side of Barclay-st. Ferry, (the berth of the Sea-shore Railroad boat,) at 8 A. M., and connect at Sandy Hook with the Long Branch and Sea-shore Railroad, arriving at Long Branch at 9 A. M.
Returning, will leave Long Branch at 4 P. M.

CHARTER FOR EXCURSIONS.
The large and commodious steamboat HUGUENOT; also, Pomona Grove. Office, Pier No. 19 North River.

DAILY EXCURSIONS DOWN THE BAY.—Delightful Summer excursions by the favorite steamer JESSE HOYT, daily, (Sundays excepted,) from Pier No. 32, foot of Duane-st., North River, at 11 A. M., embracing all through the Narrows, and passing all the past Forts Lafayette and Hamilton, &c., to Port Monmouth, returning to New-York, arriving at 2:30 P. M. Fare for the round trip 75 cents; children under 10 years of age half price. WM. N. CLAYTON, Supt.

FOR A DELIGHTFUL SUMMER EXCURSION of a few hours, take the steamboat BOARDMAN, Capt. ALEX. ANNETT, which leaves Jersey City at 7½ and 10½ A. M. and 2½ P. M. daily, and West 10th-st. at 8, 11 and 3, touching at Pier No. 4 North River. Day-st. and West 24th-st. for Fort Lee (the old landing) and intermediate places. Fare for the excursion, 25c.

DAILY EXCURSIONS TO SANDY HOOK.—The new and commodious steamer WM. COOK, Capt. L. F. FRAZEE, leaves the south side of pier foot of Barclay-st. daily (Sundays excepted,) at 10 A. M. for Sandy Hook, running in connection with the Long Branch and Sea-shore Railroad, arriving at New-York upon her return at 2:45 P. M. Dinner served on board. Fare for the excursion, 75 cents.

EXCURSIONS—FOR EXCURSION AND PICNIC PARTIES—The large steamboat GEORGE WASHINGTON barges WALTER and MANLY, WM. JAY HASKETT and WM. H. MORTON, with other steamboats and barges; also Dudley's Grove, Myers' Grove and Alderney Park, a new grove. Apply to W. & E. MYERS & CO., foot of Morton-st.

COPARTNERSHIP NOTICES.

DISSOLUTION.
The firm of JAMES DART & CO. is hereby dissolved by mutual consent. JAMES DART alone is authorized to sign the name of the firm in settlement.
JAMES DART,
NEW-YORK, July 23, 1866. C. J. OSBORN.

DISSOLUTION.—THE SPECIAL COPARTNERship heretofore existing under the firm name of BUTLER & PITKIN is this dissolved by mutual consent, JACOB F. COLE retiring.
EDWIN F. BUTLER,
GEORGE D. PITKIN,
NEW-YORK, June 30, 1866. JACOB F. COLE,
Special Partner.

COPARTNERSHIP.—The undersigned have this day formed a copartnership under the firm name of BUTLER, PITKIN & CO., and will continue the business of importing and jobbing fancy goods, Yankee notions and hosiery, at No. 356 Broadway.
EDWIN F. BUTLER,
GEORGE D. PITKIN,
JOHN W. PITKIN,
SAMUEL B. HAYWARD,
DOMINICUS SNEDEKER.
NEW-YORK, July 2, 1866.

No. 200 BROADWAY,
NEW-YORK, June 18, 1866.
DISSOLUTION.—THE PARTNERSHIP HERETOfore existing betwe n the subscribers, under the name of RICE & SWIFT, Counsellors-at-Law, is hereby dissolved by mutual consent.
CLINTON RICE.
FRED'K B. SWIFT.

BUSINESS CHANCES.

PARTNER WANTED.—A GENTLEMAN, AT present engaged in a Wall-st. banking-house as cashier, desires to form a copartnership for the purpose of entering into the stock commission and banking business, and desires $30,000 special capital; the best of references given. Address, including his present employers, Address STRICTLY COMMISSION, Box 102 Times Office.

WANTED—A PARTNER WITH $4,000 TO $10,000 capital, for the importation of a certain article patented in the United States; it is a safe investment, the article being in great demandby and always sold for cash; it might also be manufactured in the States. Address E. R. TICK, Box No. 117 Times Office.

A WRITER OF LONG EXPERIENCE for the City Press would like to purchase an interest in a city or country newspaper. Address B., Box No. 128 Times Office.

FOR SALE.

**GEO. W

The New-York Times, Tuesday, July 24, 1866.

THE WAR IN EUROPE.

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master came round, and a little piece of printed parchment entitled me to claim shelter at Orlo 48 in the public square. There I found room to rest in and a bed to lie upon, and never was rest more grateful. I was awakened by the same kind of gushing sound I had heard yesterday morning, and thought it was rain again, but the sun shone in through the windows, and, looking out, I saw it was from an immense multitude, dusty, bleedy, footsore, who pressed through the street and surged about amid the trains of artillery, baggage, cassions and wagons of all kinds. BENEDEK and the rest of his staff now arrived from Holic, and with them your military correspondent, who had been with them throughout the motion, and who was glad indeed to take some repose after his fatigues and his dangers. A little while longer and we were summoned to move on again. It was now 2 o'clock, and what was left of the Austrian army was passing through Hohenmauth, or lying about for miles north and south of it. The men of different regiments marched together without order—guns of different calibres were mixed up, and cavalry, infantry, and artillery were in a great mosaic wedged along the road for nine miles to Leitomischl, but things were getting better as the day wore on. The soldiers gradually began to pick up tidings of their battalions, working from army corps to divisions, and brigade to regiments, and by the time we encountered Leitomischl the influence of discipline began to exhibit themselves, though in one sense they had never ceased to exist, and no instance of plunder or violence along the road, in villages or in towns, came under my notice. I saw the poor Croat soldiers bargaining with the peasant girls by the roadside for cherries, cheese, bread, cakes, or whatever else they brought to sell, and counting out their coppers or bits of paper from their scanty purses as if they were making purchases in Vienna itself. Leitomischl, at which we arrived in the evening, was, of course, crowded, but we managed to get a double-bedded room in an inn and enjoy our first halt. Post there was none, the telegraph was closed, and allmeans of sending off letters were cut og, and so we resolved to make an effort to get on to Zwittau, the nearest railway station, whence trains were running, as we heard, but it was not possible to obtain permission, and so without it there would be no use in trying to get along the road, especially at night. Next morning we were up early, and still there was the same scene in the streets—soldiers, soldiers' horses, and guns pouring in one mighty stream southwards. There was one of the Imperial carriages drawn up at the door of the little Hoensese, and as I passed I saw Count MENSDORFF DE POUILLY walking up and down before the door with the air of a thoughtful, anxious man. He was in the undress uniform of a General officer, and as the soldiers, who did not know who he was, saluted him he stopped and asked them questions, relieved their wants by some trifling gift, and continued his sad promenade. It was reported that he had come down as one of a Military Commission to inquire into the cause of the disaster. At all events, he could judge for himself of the state of the army. Rumors then went forth that BENEDEK had resigned. For him there is still but one feeling—in his misfortunes the attachment of his officers and the devotion of his men are, if possible, greater than ever. Count CLAM GALLAS, who is not quite so much surrounded by popular affections in the army, is, it is said, under arrest; so is Count HENICHSTEIN, Chief of the Staff; and the same authority assigns a similar fate to other Generals of high position. Courts-martial, courts of inquiry, and all the apparatus that follow military disaster are to be set to work, and meantime it is above all things needful to have some one to organize the army once more, and to get it into heart. Count HENSDORFF appeared to think the cause of the defeat was a panic which seized on the men at the instant of victory. It was nearly noon before I succeeded in getting away from Zwittau, and all along the road for ten or twelve miles were scattered the masses of the great host broken to pieces before Josephstadt. The men are coming rapidly under their standards, and the country side for miles in from the road is full of them. They may be seen coming down the sloping hills, through the woodland, own paths, their arms glancing in the sun, singly and in groups. Uhlans, dragoons, and foot and gunners, each with his story of escape and adventure.

It was sad to part with the few friends one had made in the short time we had met, but with hopes of meeting soon and more happily we parted. A drive of some two hours through a lovely country teeming still with soldiers brought us to Zwittau, but here there was no good news. All the carriages, except those taken up for the conveyance of the wounded, had been sent down south to escape the enemy, and the last train and the last of the engines were now starting to be off. The do nothing officials could do nothing, and with tired horses it was not possible to get on to Brunn, eight German miles, that night. But, then, in the nick of time, Professor DUMREICHER, the great Vienna Surgeon, hove in sight, and, what was more, was in a dilemma from which we could help him. He is organizing, or has organized, a great medical staff for sick and wounded, and he was anxious to go from Zwittau to Leitemischl to consult with the authorities, but he had no carriage, could get none, and there was no way of getting by rail. There was his train of doctors, nurses and surgeons, and carriages full of wounded men bound for Brunn and Vienna. Dr. DUMREICHER then procured us places in a third-class carriage in exchange for the loan of a carriage and horses; but if we had but known what was about to take place it would have been far better to have stuck to the road, though no post-horses were to be had along its course. To make my story short, I may simply say that so great was the confusion caused by the congregation of rolling stock on the single line to Brunn, and by the trains of wounded men, that the journey by rail from Zwittau to that place, which is under 40 miles, took no less than from 4 P. M. yesterday till 12 o'clock this day; time no food could be got at the stations, and that, to make matters worse, my companion's portmanteau, containing a post was adding to the fever caused by irritation and the dejection of retreat, and the excitement of such an awful battle and the scenes that followed it.

VIENNA, Saturday, July 7, 1866.

As there was one, the only, train leaving Brunn at 3 o'clock yesterday, I came on by it and arrived here at midnight. The terminus presented a most painful scene. It was thronged with weeping women, agonized parents, and relatives and friends awaiting the arrival of the wounded, and the expression of their faces as they ran looking into the carriages was agonizing. Then when some dear object was recognized with head bound up in discolored bandages, or was lifted out without a leg or arm, there came such a burst of anguish, and one little group surrounded its own and bore him away. Litters and straw beds and couches lined the walls of the station? "Have you had many wounded today?" "Many," exclaimed the porter, "why, all Vienna will be unable to hold them soon. There were more than a thousand came in this afternoon, and that's nothing." Vienna through her streets is an early city, but as I drove along there were lights in many a window late as it was, and if one could have looked within he would have no doubt beheld scenes almost as dreadful as those of the battle, and have seen where the soldier saved from the hasty grave on the field of honor was passing away, and breaking hearts that would not be consoled by reflecting that he had died for his country, and that their care and affection had smoothed his pillow and deprived death of its terrors. The head-quarters of the army will be at Olmutz, not at Brunn, and they will be in all probability established at that place to-morrow.

WEDNESDAY, July 11, 1866.

Gen. BENEDEK has now under his orders at least 150,000 men, not including his cavalry and artillery, immediately after the fatal 3d of July it may be doubted whether the gallant but unfortunate leader of the Austrian army could have mustered more than half that number; but the men, spread over a wide extent of country, have rallied to their colors, and a force, to which large increase is daily given by volunter drafts, and regiments from other quarters, is now assembled to try conclusions with their formidable opponents, if all attempts to effect a peaceful solution of the great quarrel prove unsuccessful. The Headquarters are at Olmutz, where I hope to see them this evening. Gen. VON BENEDEK is in chief command, but great changes are spoken of in his staff, and in the commanders of the *corps d'armée*, of whom RAMMING and GABLENZ are alone in high favor. With Count MENSDORFF as War Minister, a more direct and able administration of military affairs may be looked for, as no one can be more devoted, strenuous and honest in his labors for the good of the army. There is nothing spoken of but the late great battle, and too many proofs of its terrible consequences are visible on all sides to permit the calamity to occupy a secondary place among the important events which crowd upon us. It is a very extraordinary circumstance that the Austrians, as far as I can judge, believe their left wing only was turned. Of the exact nature of the position in which their left was placed at the close of the engagement I cannot speak, because the, woods and villages, as well as the rising grounds toward Nechanitz prevented my having as clear a view in that direction as I had of the right. But I am quite certain of this—that before I left the tower the Austrian right wing had fallen back toward Koniggratz, and was involved with the reserve in the most inextricable confusion; that the Prussians, in solid masses, were advancing all alo g the ridges and over the cornfields from the right; that their artillery had opened a cross-fire on the Austrian batteries from several points; that their battalions were deploying on the ridge near the big tree of Klum; that Austrian battalions near Klum, but below it, and not far from the road, were in square firing on two fronts, as if to check cavalry from above, and that Prussians were firing at them from the slopes above and from the right at the same time, and that the Prussians had certainly got us between them and their centre in advance of Klum. These things were patent to my eyes. Now, if I were asked to account for the presence of the Prussians in Klum itself I would say that they came from the right and not from the left, and that they got in by the hollow between the first and second line of elevated ground or ridges from the right direction of the big tree. Quite sure am I that some half hour before, a line of Prussian skirmishers, with dense supports, had pushed their way in that direction, and that the fire of their skirmishers was so rapid and well sustained that it looked like the heavy, rolling volleys of battalions engaged in heavy fire. It is true that Prussian infantry also appeared on the left some time afterward, and that they occupied a wood from which they kept up a rolling fire of musketry on the artillery and infantry on the left of Klum; but if Klum were the centre of the position of the Austrians, I would say decidedly that the Austrian right had been pushed back further than their left, and was more in a condition to be turned, and that it was crumpling up under the advance of the Prussians and under their fire. That the battle was lost when I left the tower, and when the state of things was as I tried to describe in my letter written during our retreat I cannot doubt, because the piece of paper which he officer delivered to me at the time, and which I did not immediately attend to, was in these words: "Come down at once. The headquarters are leaving; some gone. We are right to start at once." And when I was going under the Marieschcr Thor the road was already blocked up, and BENEDEK had, I believe, left the field. Probably your military correspondent with the Prussian army will clear up the point. There can be no question but that a couple of hours before the time I speak of the Austrians had steadily driven the whole of the Prussian right and centre back a very considerable way, and were still gaining on them. The first decided retrograde movement of a permanent character which I perceived on the part of the Austrians was at a later period, and it was on the right, and not on the left, and still later the action was in such a state that BENEDEK was preparing to order an advance of all his disposable troops, and of his cavalry, to complete the success, and turn it to victory. Why Klum was not fiercely attacked again and again, nay, why it was not taken, I cannot understand. The Prussians there ought to have been caught between two fires, the flanks of the left and right of the Austrians, and had the centre behind them, and they had the reserves below and before them if the Austrians accounts are correct. It would not be possible for any large body of the enemy to get unperceived into such a position, no matter how thick the smoke, and a small body ought to have been at once driven out and destroyed by the immense masses of Austrians close at hand. The whole affair is a mystery. It is covered with smoke and fog, and how could the Prussians see to creep into Klum if the Austrians could not see them creeping there? The only explanation is that there was a great gap left, as there seemed to me to be, between the centre and the right, and that the Prussians, pushing along from the big tree in a fold of ground, got in without opposition under the smoke of the burning village, and the time we are enforced. There is a story of an officer seeing them on their way, who wished to report it to some staff dignitary, but in vain, as he was rebuked by an aid-de-camp for his unseemly intrusion. Some day a sifting of evidence among the survivors will enable the historian to clear up how the Prussians got into Klum, and there may even be some excuses framed for their not having been driven out of Klum when they got in there, but I fear these reasons cannot be creditable. To my mind, and be it remembered I have only my eyes to assist me, and have heard little or nothing—the Austrian soldier fought under a physical disadvantage all day. The Prussians were lightly equipped. The prisoners I saw had only their tunics, and flat caps, although I saw through the glass some battalions with helmets. They were in capital fighting trim. The Austrians fought in their long flapping great coats, saturated with rain. They had on heavy knapsacks, canteens, tins, breadbags, and all sorts of impedimente. Although the Austrian soldier will face any enemy, and die with his face to him, I must say the needle-gun has given him an idea that the Prussians are far better armed, and is therefore superior in the field—in other words, his *morale* has suffered in the late fights. There are, it is said, 45,000 needle-guns in the Austrian arsenals, but the Prussians aver that the needle-gun itself is nothing without the ammunition, and that the preparation of powder used to explode the cartridge is a secret known only to themselves, for that it will keep good any length of time, whereas ordinary fulminating compounds rapidly lose their strength under the influence of time and moisture. That may or may not be true, but it is certain that the fire of this weapon is terrible in its swiftness. In the assault against Klum all the leading officers and men fell as they pushed up the hill. I have been told that a cavalry regiment breaking into a charge at the distance of 600 yards had been so galled with the hail of these bullets that more than one-third of every squadron in front, horses and men, were down before they could deliver a sabre-cut; that the second line, tumbling about over the men and horses of the first squadron, were similarly smitten with annihilating fire, and that when the regiment withdrew on the flanks in disorder, the plain over which they had advanced was piled with their corpses. Gen. GABLENZ arrived in Vienna last night, and it is thought by some that he ought to succeed FELDZEUGMEISTER VON BENEDEK, but it is only due to the latter to state that officers and men appear to have unbounded confidence in him, and that they still believe in his "to-morrow." "Not yet, my children; wait till to-morrow!" were the words he addressed to his cheering troops as they were advancing to what they thought an assured victory on the afternoon of the 3d of July. And they will wait still, and trust on, and die, if need be, though the worst use to be made of a soldier is to kill him uselessly. There is an irresistible sympathy between the soldier and BENEDEK, and some men would sooner be beaten under those they love than they will under those they hate. So they say it is all the needle-gun that has done it.

At Olmutz there can be no doubt that Feldzeugmeister von BENEDEK is in a good position, though he cannot save Bohemia—nay, more, it is very doubtful whether he can save Brunn, in Moravia, the Austrian Manchester, and people there are who think Vienna is already gone, one hears will go if the Prussians venture to disregard the peremptory order to "halt" which has come from Paris. The Prussiens have shown at Iglau, on the Moravian frontier, but their advance to Vienna, with an army still powerful and numerous in the field and rear, and with three fortresses such as Theresienstadt, Königgrätz, and Josephstadt on their flanks, would be hazardous as a military measure, without reference to political complications. The line of road to Brünn passes through defiles worked out by the river, and present singular advantages to a defensive force, but, according to all present indications, the Prussians may have their place if they wish. The garrison of Vienna is being quietly strengthened, and the lines at the other side of the Danube are not of a character to be despised by any enemy. We have to learn yet what the Prussians intend doing at Josephstadt and Koniggratz. Although neither is a Sebastopol, each is capable of standing a siege, and is not to be walked over or passed by with impunity. The Prussians must have suffered very much in the last battle: a heavier or better directed artillery fire than the Austrians maintained for eight hours could not easily be adduced from the records of any battle, and it is believed here their losses were at least equal to those of the Austrians, though I am disposed to believe the headlong courage of many of the regiments of the Keiser cost them dear indeed. As yet there are no data to go upon concerning the casualties at Koniggratz, but the *Wiener Zeitung* of to-day gives a list of officers killed in the affair at Skalitz on the 28th of June, from which the severity of the encounter may be estimated. There were engaged on that day the Fifth and Twenty-FSurth Battalions of Jagers, and the Fifteenth, Twenty-first, Thirty-second and Seventy-seventh Regiments of infantry. Ther first had three officers killed, and we may judge they had at least nine wounded. The second had one killed and wounded in the same proportion, the Nifteenth had five Captains, four over Lieutenants, seven Lieutenants killed, and probably forty-eight officers wounded; the Twenty-first had four officers killed; the Thirty-second had seven officers killed; the Seventy-seventh had four Captains, five over Lieutenants, and eleven Lieutenants killed, and, if the usual proportion holds, sixty officers wounded. In the fight at Wisockow and Podol, the Cuirassier Regiment, No. 4 (KAISER FERDINAND,) had Captain KARL VON KLENCK, Captain PATRICK JOHN MURRAY, Lieutenant LIBULSKI, Lieutenant GUDENZENS, and Lieutenant RITTER VON FRYTA badly wounded, in addition to the killed, and so on the sad list runs, though it does not appear that the Eighteenth Jager Battalion was destroyed as reported by the Prussians in the night fight at Podol on the 26th of June.

Bleeding at every pore, stricken to her knees, Austria still holds her sword pointed to the enemy, and gazes on the threatening front of his advance with a heroic resolve to die with honor. The appeal of the Emperor to his people will bring forth hundreds of thousands of recruits. All Hungary, we are told, is rising, and will give many a willing recruit to the legions which are preparing to fight for the Emperor.

With reference to a report drawn up by Gen. LA MARMORA respecting the battle of Custozza, in which it appears to be stated that the Fifth, Seventh and Ninth Corps of Austrian army were engaged there, permit me to state that not one of these corps was present at Custozza, and for the very good reason that they were each and all with the Northern army on the date of the battle.

Commencement at Union College.

SCHENECTADY, N. Y., Monday, July 23.

The annual commencement week exercises of the Union College were fully inaugurated yesterday. President HICKOK delivered the Baccalauriate sermon, and Rev. HENRY J. FOX, of New-York, addressed the Theologic Society.

Mr. Fox's address is universally pronounced a very masterly effort.

This evening Right Rev. THOMAS W. CLARK, of Rhode Island, will address the literary societies; to-morrow morning, the Alumni holds its annual session. It will be addressed by Rev. ABRAHAM N. LITTLEJOHN D. D., of Brooklyn. To-morrow afternoon Hon. ALEX. W. BRADFORD, L. L. D., of New-York, will deliver a eulogy on Dr. NOTT. Prize speaking begins at 7:30 P. M. The Commencement-day exercises will take place on Wednesday. The attendance upon the Exercises is unusually large. Many strangers are present from all parts of the country.

The Saratoga Races.

SARATOGA, N. Y., Monday, July 23.

We had a very heavy shower here last evening. This morning the weather opened cloudy, and rain began to fall about 9 o'clock, and it is now (noon) raining very hard.

All the races of the week have been put over one day, throwing the last one on Monday of next week.

Large numbers of people are here to witness the races, and the horses are the best that ever assembled on any track.

The Marvin House, rebuilt since last year, opened on Saturday.

The Steamer Vulcan Sunk in the Mississippi.

LOUISVILLE, Monday, July 23.

The new steamer *Vulcan*, belonging to the Mississippi Valley Transportation Company, with four barges of grain and produce, bound from St. Louis for New-Orleans, struck on a snag at Island No. 34 yesterday and sunk out of sight, carrying down two barges. Loss unknown.

Break in the Erie Canal.

ROCHESTER, N. Y., Monday, July 23.

An aqueduct on the Erie Canal went out last night, wholly or in part. There is a report here that the structure will have to be wholly rebuilt. If so it will suspend navigation for several days.

Steamer Cumbria Disabled.

FORTRESS MONROE, Monday, July 23.

The steamer *Cumbria*, from New-York for Charleston, put in here to-day with her boiler disabled,

FROM MEXICO.

Celebration of the Fourth of July—Speeches of Gen. Magruder and Others—Miscellaneous.

From Our Special Correspondent.

CITY OF MEXICO, Thursday, July 5, 1866.

The celebration of the Ninetieth Anniversary of our national independence was duly observed here yesterday. All of the credit for the planning, preparing and carrying out the ceremonies is due to our Consular representative in this City, MARCUS OTTERBURG, Esq., of Milwaukee, Wis.

For several days prior to yesterday a notice in English appeared in all of the Spanish and in the two French papers, *L'Estafette* and *L'Ere Nouvelle*, inviting all citizens of the United States to the mansion of Mrs. VASS, in which are the legation and consular rooms. There were present Gen. MAGRUDER and BARON MAGNUS, Gov. THOS. REYNOLDS, and the staunch Unionist ALFRED WHITE, Esq.; Maj. GRAY, of the Confederate and of the old Navy; Col. BLAKE, of the old Regular Army and of the Confederate, by the side of Mr. SLOCUM, brother of our Maj.-Gen. SLOCUM; Surgeon HASSELL, of South Carolina, and HULL, of Illinois; the Swiss Consul, M. ARNOLD SUTTER, and CARLOS KREBS, Chief Accountant of the Imperial Railway Company, both adopted American citizens. There were toasts drank to the memories of WASHINGTON, LINCOLN and SCOTT. Gov. TOM. REYNOLDS became gloriously eloquent in responding to "WASHINGTON." Gen. MAGRUDER too surprised men who had ridden by his side for thirty years, in his response to "WINFIELD SCOTT."

Gen. REYNOLDS, in the course of his speech, remarked that he hoped to soon return to his adopted State, Missouri, after the close of this his short journey abroad. The genuine humor of the remark produced a perfect yell of applause. He also remarked that when "he did return, he hoped the time was not far distant when, with a capital located somewhere in Missouri, or near her borders, the country which WASHINGTON gave the world—a country the very breath of which makes this land where we are assembled tremble and vibrate to the centre—should rule the continent."

The "Army and Navy," "Our American Women," "The Prosperity of the United States," "The Perpetual Harmony of Americans at Home and Abroad," "Our Sweethearts and Wives," "Our Homes," "American Enterprise in Mexico," "Our Consul in Mexico," "Our Vice-Consul," "THOMAS JEFFERSON," and "General Health, General Peace and General Plenty for our Native Land," were some of the toasts proposed and responded to after the removal of the cloths.

Mr. HEALY of California, Master Ed. HALY of New-York and Major GRAY of Texas sang appropriate pieces, and it was most emphatically a moment of reunion when one heard Gen. MAGRUDER and many other prominent Confederates joining in the chorus to the "Star Spangled Banner" and "Hail Columbia."

Another anniversary, against which the bankrupt Treasury of the Empire well may exclaim, is to be celebraied to-morrow—the second anniversary of the *entree* of the Imperial family in this capital. Half a thousand workmen have been engaged during the last half month in making the net-work for a triumpha l arch, which is to be erected from the central entrance of the Palace west to the Plaza de Armas, thence north to Calle de Platoras, thence west again to the main entrance of the Cathedral. As the Postmaster-General has postponed the forwarding of the extraordinary mail for the *Manhattan* from this evening at 5 P. M. until to-morrow at the same hour, we will be able to tell how the anniversary of the Emperor's formal entrance into the Halls of the Montezumas is celebrated.

Capt. TURNER, of the *Manhattan*, who has been in this city during the past month, returns to the coast to-morrow morning. He has again succeeded in obtaining the payment of the six month's subvention due the American and Mexican Mail Steamship Company's Line.

American commercial interests as connected with this country depend wholly upon a regular New-York and Vera Cruz line of steamers. We are notified through the Mexican Press that this line will not dispatch any more steamers until August, and the reason given is the necessity for going into quarantine at this time of the year. But the reasons at once too ridiculous to pass current even among the *mochos* and *gringos* of Mexico. Last season these steamers made regular trips during June, July, August and September. Other lines have started in former years, and as now, just as the merchants begin to think that the permanent establishments, and mercantile orders began to flow into New-York. For some reason the steamers prepare to cease running. An immense trade can be made between the States and Mexico, but in order to encourage and foster it some measures must be employed to secure a permanent line of steamships between Mexico and New-York.

The postal-order system, and the rules regulating the system as practiced in the United States, have been adopted in this country. Bills can be purchased at 2 per cent. at any order office, which are payable at any other order office in the country. The limit is 20.

The Emperor has abolished all fines connected with the law allowing letters of security. Hereafter parties arriving in the country can call for and obtain their matriculation papers whenever they feel disposed. They cannot, however, enter into business, prosecute claims, or testify upon oath, until they have obtained them, accompanying the same with establishing all back fines, the Emperor abolishes the Passport system. Coming or going into the country the stranger needs no passport.

From the 6th of April till the 13th of June the Common Council of the city report the killing of 3,909 Perros dogs, which were found on the streets without a muzzle.

The City Government has, under the French Police system, succeeded in securing a degree of perfection unequaled in any other capital in the world. Four years ago Mexico was the most wretchedly governed city on the Continent. Murders, assassination, rape, stabbing and robbery were of hourly occurrence. Every man carried his knife, and most of them used them on the slightest provocation. Now, however, there is a penalty of six months in the chain-gang for being found with a knife or pistol on your person. Three months' hard work for engaging in a fist fight, and the stopping of your breath by the *garrote* is the punishment inflicted within twenty-four hours after apprehension for appropriating your neighbor's goods without his consent. The penalties are severe, but the lazy, shiftless and vicious classes of the country could not be ruled with less severity.

MAXIMILIAN holds on to this line of railway, which, as I wrote you by the English mail, he had confiscated the same day the serious accident which I described occurred. The Emperor is doubtless right in his proceedings. The Company insisted upon running its line against all the regulations of the charter given by JUAREZ, and contrary to all system of railroading. Hundreds of citizens' lives were daily, hourly jeopardized, and yet they would not pursue a different course, though frequently remonstrated with. Government, it appears, owns 45 per cent. of the stock, and had tolerated its unjustifiable course for more than three months.

The English Company, under the direction of WM. LLOYD and THOS. BRANIFF, must fear confiscation. The Company was detranded out of £75,000 sterling by the original directing party, Messrs. SMITH, KNIGHT & Co., and whisperings of other indiscretions are none too secret for the public. Marshal BAZAINE and the Emperor have supplied them with abundant funds to complete the road to the Pueblo junction, but have also, as customary means, directed a competent party of French engineers to superintend the work. Messrs. LLOYD & BRANIFF are powerless. The first great step toward self-appropriation has been made by the Government, and the second is not far off.

Excepting mere skirmishes, of which many are reported throughout the interior, the situation is unchanged since I last wrote you by the English steamer. The City of Colotlan, in Zacatecas, has been evacuated by the Liberals.

Marshal BAZAINE left the capital Tuesday morning, the 3d instant, in the direction of San Luis Potosi. The *L'Estafette* of this date announces his arrival at San Juan del Rio, forty leagues distant on the road toward San Luis. Nothing is known or published respecting this journey more than the fact of his absence and arrival at the city mentioned. Much anxiety is felt here about the City of San Luis Potosi, as that is now more important to the Liberals than any point in the country. Certain dispositions of their troops encourages the belief that a large Liberal army is to be concentrated there.

The Pajaro *Verde* of this date says a schooner loaded with emigrants from the State of Texas was wrecked off Tampico during a strong norther one day last week. There were 61 persons on board. A few had reached the shore. How many were lost is not known. The dispatch is from Tampico by the English packet.

BEREA, Prefect Politico of Vera Cruz, telegraphed the Emperor, date 3d inst., that he shipped by the English steamer on the 2d inst. $600,000 as follows: $364,201 42 in bills of exchange, and $245,798 58 in silver, which is due on English bonds. The same amount will be dispatched by each of the three following monthly packets, the semi-annual interest due England from Mexico being $2,400,000.

Anniversary of the Entry of the Royal Family into the Capital—A New Liberal Army.

MEXICO, Friday, July 6—4 P. M.

To-day being the second anniversary of the entry of the royal family into this capital, great preparations have been made to make the celebration imposing and stately. The triumphal arch, more than half a mile in length, of which I spoke yesterday, could not have cost less than $200,000. Delegations from half a dozen Indian tribes, with aboriginal and grotesque emblems, reed-flags and trinkets, were on the march through the streets as soon as the firing of the cannon at the French Citadel announced the break of day this morning.

The Emperor MAXIMILIAN and his royal consort, and their Palace guard of gigantic Austrians, led the van of the procession, which moved from he centrait entrance of the Palace at 7:30 o'clock. High Mass was celebrated by the Bishop of Mexico. A *Te Deum* was sung. CARLOTA occupied a throne in the cathedral, surrounded by the honorary dames of the Court. Yet there was a sad lack of enthusiasm. An occasion like this, if in favor with the masses, usually brings an assemblage in the Plaza de Armas of from 30,000 to 50,000 people. To-day there may have been 2,500, but we should hesitate to acknowledge that 3,000 people gathered to witness a scene calculated to excite the curiosity of the least curious of people.

The *Pajare Verde* publishes a dispatch from Vera Cruz which says the vomito is becoming a terrible and unprecedented epidemic there, even extending many leagues into the interior. Six cases of deaths have taken place in Jalapa during the last week, and five men had died on the road between Vera Cruz and Cordova.

The same paper contains news from Fresmillo up to the 24th ult. It announces the appearance of a new army in that military department, as the following:

"A new Liberal army has lately made its appearance, commanded by ANTONIO VELLIO MEJIA, General-in-Chief of the Central Army, with the Gens. BREJIDIS, BANUALOS, ARREDONDO, and THOMAS (TOMAS) LOPEZ. Their line of operations is the Mountains of Huejuquilla."

A regiment of Mexican volunteers paraded the streets this morning. The Colonel, Lieutenant-Colonel, and all the officers of the line, are Frenchmen. The *physique* of the men is superior to any other body of soldiers in this country. One is reminded, by seeing them, of those giant soldiers from the north of the Ohio River, who served in our armies during the late war. If these men's *hearts* were with the Empire MAXIMILLIAN would be able to raise a most formidable army of men. They are strong, and capable of performing great marching and other duties, without fatigue."

The city is becoming more and more alarmingly unhealthy. Very little rain has fallen, less during this season than was ever before known. A certain amount of rain is indispensible to good health in this valley. For the same reason the yellow fever reigns in Vera Cruz. Foreigners seem to escape the general sickness of the season.

The weather here is beautiful, as it always is, except during a storm of rain.

THE PACIFIC SQUADRON.

Explanatory Letter from Commodore Rodgers—The Monadnock.

WASHINGTON, Monday, July 23.

The Navy Department to-day received the following dispatches:

UNITED STATES STEAMER VANDERBILT,
SAN FRANCISCO, June 25, 1866

SIR: I have the honor to correct an error which I have noticed in the newspapers.

It is stated that Mr. LAYARD, in the British House of Commons, had stated that my report of the bombardment of Valparaiso was inconsistent with the report of Admiral DENMAN. Either the newspaper reporter must have been mistaken in the scope of Mr. LAYARD's speech, or Mr. LAYARD must have read Admiral DENMAN's dispatch carelessly. My statement that Admiral DENMAN consented at first to join with me in opposing the bombardment, but afterward decided not to take the responsibility, can, I presume, be proven by the evidence of Commodore DE COURCY, commanding H. B. M. frigate *Leander*, who heard the agreement.

It is probable that the Admiral's first resolve was known in his squadron. It was declared by the British officers and repeated in formal resolutions. It is involved ih a sentence of the letter of Admiral NUNEZ, republished in the New-York papers of May 11, in which it is said the English Admiral stated to him that it would be impossible for him (the British Admiral) to remain a passive spectator to such a deed. Under such a weight of evidence as to the course of Admiral DENMAN, that must necessarily be a mistake which denies his course.

I regret this newspaper statement the more since it places Admiral DENMAN in a painful position.

I have the honor to be, very respectfully, your obedient servant, JOHN RODGERS,
Commodore.

To the Hon. GIDEON WELLES, Secretary of the Navy.

UNITED STATES STEAMER VANDERBILT,
SAN FRANCISCO, June 28, 1866.

SIR: I have the honor to report the arrival of the *Vanderbilt* and the *Monadnock* at the Navy-yard, Mare Island. The *Monadnock* found no weather on her voyage from Philadelphia to this place which seemed to touch the limit of her seagoing capacity. In a gale off Point Conception on the coast of California, and successive waves rose which interposed between my eye and the masthead light of the *Monadnock*. Upon inquiry, I found the light was elevated seventy-five feet above the level. In this sea, according to the testimony of her officers, she was very easy while it blew hardest and the sea was the most violent. She twice parted her litter ropes in quick succession. Thus without the use of her rudder, she drove to, with the double screw propellers lying high and comfortable in the storm. The lithe is too short, throwing an unusual strain upon the lithe ropes. The remedy in repairing it with a longer litter can be easily applied. The engines have performed to satisfaction, and the hull, and have arrived in complete order. The *Monadnock* has not been towed, nor while at sea during the entire voyage has she received any assistance whatever.

The success of the voyage amply vindicates the judgment of the Department in undertaking it, and the hopes of the most sanguine of Monitor people are fulfilled in the crucial experiment.

With much respect, I remain, your obedient servant,
JOHN RODGERS, Commodore.

To Hon. GIDEON WELLES, Secretary of the Navy.

DATED UNITED U. S. STEAMER VANDERBILT,
SAN FRANCISCO, June 28, 1866.

SIR: Upon the conclusion of my service with the *Monadnock*, I feel it not only a pleasure but a duty to recommend her commanding officer, Lieutenant Commander FRANCIS M. BUNCE, that he receive the meed of his services which they justly deserve and such as shall incite others to earn the favorable notice of the Department. Lieut.-Commander BUNCE volunteered to make the untried experiment of bringing a monitor from the North Atlantic to the North Pacific. Many naval critics pronounced the attempt more than unwise. To its successful accomplishment he brought a reputation for dash and gallantry, skill as a seaman, and experience in navigation. He brought natural firmness of character, united with the utmost good temper. He brought a mind well studied in the theories of his profession, with skill in its practical duties. So many good qualities seldom met in a single officer.

Admiral MENDEZ NUNEZ received promotion for bringing the iron-clad *Numancia* from Spain to the South Pacific. I do not think the service of Lieutenant-Commander BUNCE, in bringing the *Monadnock* from the United States on the Atlantic to California, less deserving. With much respect, I remain your obedient servant, JOHN RODGERS, Commodore.

To Hon. GIDEON WELLES, Secretary of the Navy.

UNITED STATES STEAMER *Monadnock*, third rate,
SAN FRANCISCO, June 24, 1866.

SIR: I have the honor to report that during the recent passage of this ship from Philadelphia to this port she has run by log 16,385 knots, the greatest distance logged in twenty-four hours being 195 and 6-10 knots, the least 19 knots. Her average speed has been 6 and 32-100 knots per hour. The engines have been run about sixty revolutions per minute, that being the point judged to be most economical, and in wear and tear of the machinery not a single piece of the spare machinery has been used, and the engines are now all in good working order. They have been fully able to perform all work demanded of them. This vessel is a most excellent sea boat, and has received no damage from any weather we have encountered. Experience has proved that the great value of the additions made in Philadelphia without the turret flanges and breakwater, we should have often had water over the turrets. The pilot houses have stood well and answered their purpose admirably. The turret coats have excluded all water. No one of the additions could have been spared without materially injuring the efficiency of the ship or endangering her safety. The addition of a mast and yards at Saint Thomas, has enabled her to carry sail when the wind would permit sufficient to increase the speed one and five-tenths knots per hour, and to very much relieve the labor of the engines. The mast, as secured, can be got rid of in a few minutes, and reshipped without injury. It occupies no space between decks, and the decks are not weakened by any hole. It stands firmly, and any required amount of sail can be carried with safety. In her present condition she is as perfectly safe and trustworthy vessel for cruising to or in any part of the world as a vessel can be relying on steam alone for its motive power, and twice as safe as most steamers, for she has two independent parts; engines either of which are sufficient to keep the ship under control in any weather and to propel her in ordinary condition of wind and sea, five knots per hour. At sea she has never needed or received assistance of any kind whatever from other vessels, and therefore I regard her, or any vessel of her class, as thoroughly competent, independent cruisers. She is now ready for action in every part of her detail and equipment, and with new blow and feed pipes to the boiler, to replace those nearly worn out, is ready for a cruise anywhere. The duration of her cruising, independently being only limited by the quantity of coal she can carry, and this quantity can be greatly augmented by alterations suggested, which increase the space available for coal. Many of the residents of the ports at which we have stopped and officers of nearly all the principal naval powers of the world have visited the ship. The objects which have received the most attention and have seemed to excite the most interest of these visits apart from the ship itself have been the XX in navy guns with the means of working them and the main engines which have been much admired for their compactness. The ship has been very healthy and the cruise very fortunate. There have been no serious accidents, no case of dangerous illness, no deaths. Magnetic observations have been made and the ship swung for compass corrections at every point where it was possible to do so. I enclose the report of the Professor of Mathematics, HARKNESS, a report of Passed Assistant Surgeon ZENGER, and a report of Acting Chief Engineer ZEIGLER.

Very respectfully your obedient servant,
FRANCIS M. BUNCE,
Lieutenant Commander Commanding.

To JOHN RODGERS, U. S. N., Commanding Special Squadron U. S. Flagship *Vanderbilt*.

Report of Acting Chief-Engineer ZEIGLER and Surgeon ZENGER, accompany these reports. The latter says: In general the state of health of officers and crew during the cruise had to be considered a very satisfactory one. In the report of the passage of the *Monadnock* from Acapulco to San Francisco, her commander says: "A gale of fifty hours' duration, off Point Conception, Cal., brought with it the heaviest we have met. The ship, however, was abundantly able to ride it out, and we received no damage. The wheel ropes parted twice but were soon repaired, the ship lying to with her engines while the repairs were made. The engines raced considerably as the seas left the stern, but were uninjured.

They always performed admirably.

AFFAIRS IN THE SOUTH.

Condition and Prospects—Openings for Enterprise—Future of the South.

Correspondence of the New-York Times.

FOREST, Scott Co., Miss., Tuesday, June 26, 1866.

During my late extended visited in the North, the most constant and earnest inquiries—questions oft repeated and plied in an infinite variety of forms, with so much persistency as to disclose an interest almost impossible to satisfy—were propounded to me in regard to the business prospects and the political and social condition of the South. My tongue wore itself out daily by its perpetual motion on these subjects, without being able to meet the demand. A resident now of the South, I am as desirous to furnish information as the people are eager to obtain it. Your paper will reach an increased audience, and such limited leisure as I have I will gladly devote to letters for its columns, though lacking both time and inclination to prepare other than plain and unvarnished statements in response to the longings of the public mind.

The South combines the best features of all countries. In twenty-five years it will excel the North in wealth, and when I say it will become "the garden of the world," I desire the reader to pause for a moment to take in the points of a model garden. It is a fact that the best flour in the New-York market is made from Southern wheat. For manufacturing purposes the water-power of the South is superior to that of the North. Within a circle of forty miles around Atlanta alone is water-power enough to turn every water-wheel and all the spindles, and for running every manufacturing establishment, large and small, in New-England. A few years hence the South will be dotted all over with manufastories and villages and cities, for her policy in the future is to manufacture on her own soil, not only to meet her own wants, but to supply Northern and foreign markets. Here is a field for the manufacture and sale of whatever is made by machinery, especially wooden wares and farming implements, not excepting, however, any one of the long list of manufactured articles; and now is the time for Northern enterprise and capital to locate, as land and water power are advancing at the rate of 100 to 200 per cent. a month. Right here from whence I write are wanted factories for plain wagons, heavy and light, and plain household furniture of all kinds, with the prospect of an early demand for more ornamental and expensive articles, the exclusive supply of which might be secured by starting now. Land, rent, fuel and timber are abundant and cheap. Gold and iron ore deposits are numerous and extensive, extending through entire counties of several States, of a value, when fully developed, as they will soon be, second to none.

Pine timber is inexhaustible. Illimitable forests of splendid pine are sc